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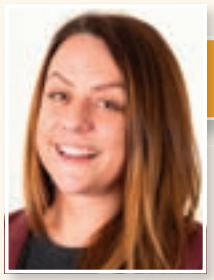
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Indiana-born Marshall Shore shares his love of Arizona history as the "Hip Historian."
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EDITOR'S NOTE

July 12 marks the official start of the dog days of summer, but for us Arizonans, these "dog days" always seem to start at the end of May. We always say we're used to the heat…but we also seem to be the first ones in the pool.

Interestingly enough, dog days actually has nothing to do with dogs or the lazy days of summer. The dog days refer to the "dog" star, Sirius, and its position in the heavens this time of year.

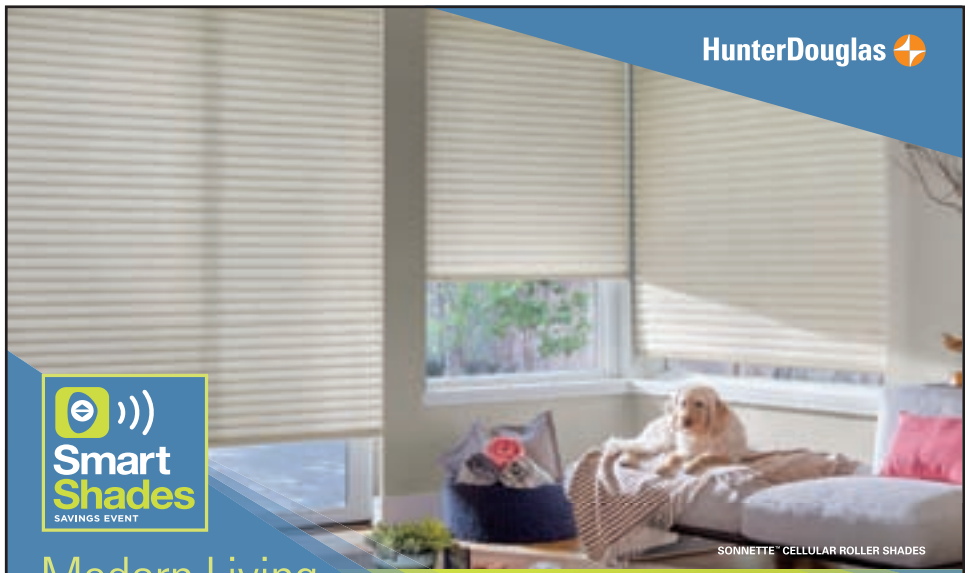
To the Greeks and Romans, the "dog days" happened around the time when Sirius appeared to rise just before the sun, in mid-July. They referred to these days as the hottest time of the year, a period of time that lasts until August, which could bring fever or even catastrophe. Or in our case, lots and lots of pool parties!

We've had a good reason to celebrate in our office lately. Your hometown newspaper recently came home with 23 awards from this year's Association of Free Community Publications (AFCP) conference. This includes first place for General Excellence in our neighborhood newspaper's category, which is the highest honor a community publication can receive from AFCP. We are proud and grateful to our advertisers, writers, staff and most of all, our readers. Without you, none of this would be possible.

Happy Independence Day and thank you for reading the *Arcadia News*.

— Mallory Gleich





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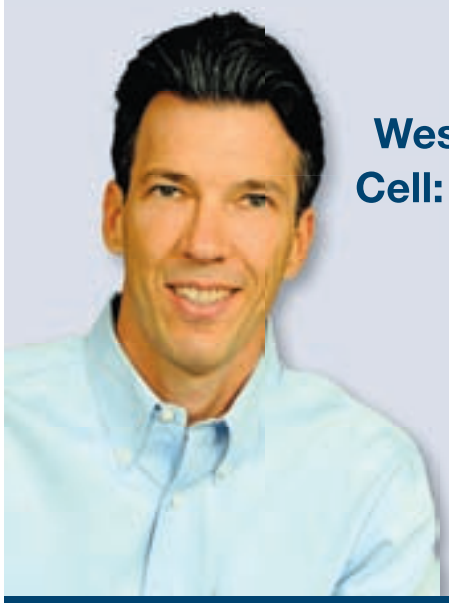
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Homes Sold -	114 homes
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Average Sold $ Per SF -	$361
Average Days On Market -	103 days

There is currently 8 months of home inventory. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 home sales have decreased 12% this year. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 home prices have increased 1%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 $ Per Square Foot prices have increased 2%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 homes are taking 24% less 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

2019 TAVAN SCHOOL DISTRICT SALES RESULTS

(1/01/2019-5/31/2019)

Active Homes -	97 Homes
Homes Sold -	92 Homes
Average Sale Price -	$610,000
Average Sold $ Per SF -	$274
Average Days On Market -	88 days

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2019 home sales have increased 0% this year. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 home prices have decreased 3%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 $ Per Square Foot prices have increased 1%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 Homes are taking 1% more time to sell. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 TAVAN SCHOOL DISTRICT SALES RESULTS

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Arizona's guide to the past

By Miriam Cruson

Marshall Shore, otherwise known as "The Hip Historian," has made it his life's work to bring the history of Arizona to people in a way that keeps them engaged, interested and coming back for more.

From Winnie Ruth Judd, Arizona's most notorious murderer, to the Five C's of Arizona, no stone (or boulder) is left unturned by this historian. Shore has made it his goal to gather and share all the stories of Arizona's history.

Shore's storytelling, accompanied by unseen or forgotten photographs, helps bring to life a history rich in pioneers, priests and outlaws who helped form the state as we know it today.

Shore was born in a small town in Odell, Indiana.

"Two roads, one stop sign; population 25," Shore said.

He received his Masters in Library Science at Indiana University. His next stop was New York City, where he spent a decade as a librarian before moving to Arizona.

As he explored his new home, he found the stories he heard from locals revealed an Arizona he never dreamed he'd find. Everywhere he went he would talk to people and his vault of knowledge regarding Arizona history began to fill.

"I kept finding these amazing stories and kept thinking…why aren't we talking about this stuff?" Shore said.

Shore knew then that it was time to change to a path where he could enrich more lives with what he was discovering all through Arizona.

"There was something else, I didn't know what it was, but I needed to connect people to place and share with people how I fell in love with Arizona," Shore said.

On Statehood Day 2012, a friend of Shore's invited him to talk on the steps of the State Capitol.

When describing Marshall Shore and his passion for Arizona history he was mistaken for the official state historian, Marshall Trimble. This is how the nickname Hip Historian came about. His friend said, "No, no he's the Hip Historian." And the name stuck.

"I heard that and said, 'I'm going to use that,'" Shore said.

Shore hosts a variety of events in the Valley. You can find him anywhere from 4th grade classrooms to senior centers to local venues; Shore shares his love of storytelling with all ages.

One of Shore's presentations references another transplanted Arizonan – a woman named Rusty Warren. Rusty was a comedian and pianist who played piano bars in the Valley during the 50s and 60s. She wrote a song titled *Knockers Up.* Today she is in the Library of Congress known as "The Birthmother of the Sexual Revolution."

So, what makes Shore's presentations unique?

"Me," Shore laughed. He incorporates obscure facts, old images, hard-to-find video clips/movies and humor in his unique storytelling.

"Plus, costume changes. Now where are you going to find that in a historian's presentation?" Shore said.

"Telling these amazing stories to let people know there is a lot of history in Arizona – it is all about the story," Shore said. "Arizona draws people here who are looking to reinvent themselves. And if they are lucky, they end up doing what they love."

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Xavier graduate flies high with Flinn Scholarship

By Mallory Gleich

How many people can say they've traveled to Haiti to help provide citizens with clean water? Or to Nicaragua to build a school garden, or taught algebra to kids in Ecuador? These may seem like fairly daunting tasks, but for Caroline Hyland, it was all in a day's work.

Caroline, a recent graduate from Xavier Prep, has had quite a remarkable educational career, starting at All Saints' Episcopal Day School.

Not only has she already received a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science from Rio Salado Community College, but she was also named a National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT) Aspirations in Computing state awardee and named to the Arizona All-Region Team for her participation in Mock Trial.

Caroline has one more thing to add to her list of accomplishments, as she was recently named a Flinn Scholarship winner at the end of the school year.

"I was shocked when I found out, and I honestly did not believe it when they first told me," Caroline said.

The Flinn Scholarship is awarded to students who have "at least a 3.5 grade-point average, a top 5 percent class rank and a score of 1340 on the SAT or 29 on the ACT and demonstrate exceptional leadership in extracurricular activities."

The application is extensive and requires biographical and family data, information about current studies, career and academic interests, extracurricular activities, honors and awards as well as three essays and two short answer questions, two teacher recommendations and a report from the academic counselor.

"Being awarded the Flinn was an extremely humbling experience," Caroline said. "I met so many incredible peers going through the Flinn selection process, and it was inspiring to be able to spend time with all of them and get to know them."

Before all the chaos of graduation, scholarships and choosing the University of Arizona Honors Program to further her college career, Caroline was participating in after-school activities and school trips that have taken her all over the world.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF CAROLINE HYLAND

Xavier Prep graduate Caroline Hyland is one of the 20 students who outshone nearly 900 Flinn Scholarship applicants. Her experiences have taken her to Ecuador (top left), Haiti (top right) and Nicaragua.

In elementary school, Caroline traveled to Haiti to celebrate the dedication of a new school building for which she and her classmates had raised funds. While there, Caroline's teacher challenged them to find a new problem to tackle.

"She asked us to remember that no matter how much we have to celebrate and how much we have done, there is always more to do," Caroline said.

The group found that the school's water source, which was a small hole under tree roots where murky brown water leaked out, was in serious need of repair. They got to work and started raising money to provide the school with a cistern that provides clean water to students.

"This trip inspired me in more ways than I can begin to explain, and it set me on a path of international travel and service, which I immediately pursued at Xavier," Caroline said.

After her freshman year, Caroline headed to Nicaragua to help build cement benches and prepare a sustainable garden for residents of a small town outside Managua. After that, she headed to Ecuador. Caroline participated in a *minga*, which is a community-oriented service project where members come together to work on a construction project for another member of the community.

While she was there, she was able to meet some of the younger children from the area.

"…one of the Xavier teachers traveling with us called me over to talk," Caroline said. "She said a few boys asked her how to do their algebra homework, but the teacher could not figure out how to explain it to them."

And with that, Caroline got her first teaching experience.

"At first, I was extremely nervous, and I thought that trying to explain math in Spanish was hopeless. Once I started, though, it was actually really fun, and it became increasingly easier the more I tried."

Caroline will finish her summer vacation as an honors biology teaching assistant for Xavier. Then, a trip to San Diego and finally, the Flinn Scholar retreat in China.

Along with the retreat, the Flinn Scholarship also covers the full cost of tuition and fees, housing and meals, an additional study-abroad experience and internship opportunities.

"I think that there is a great deal of more important benefits to the scholarship as well. The most significant benefit is the community of Flinn scholars," Caroline said. "Even as I was going through the application process, multiple scholars reached out to me… having that supportive network of both mentors and peers is extremely valuable."

Caroline plans on dual-majoring in Computer Science and Bioinformatics with a Computer Science emphasis and would also like to minor in Spanish. Ultimately, she hopes to get a master's degree and a PhD before pursuing a career in software development for biotechnology.

"I have always loved biology and during my time at Xavier, I fell in love with computer science. This career feels like the perfect way to blend those two passions," Caroline said.

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- The Flinn Foundation was established in 1965 by Arizona cardiologist Dr. Robert S. Flinn and his wife, Irene.
- Their mission is to improve the quality of life in Arizona to benefit future generations.
- This year, the scholarship program received 894 applications. Caroline is one of 20 to receive the award in Arizona.
- The value of the scholarship, including tuition provided by the universities, exceeds $120,000.

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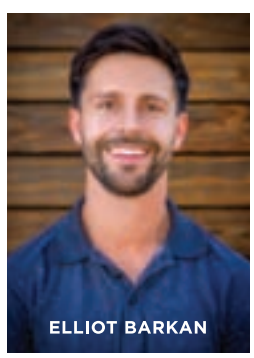
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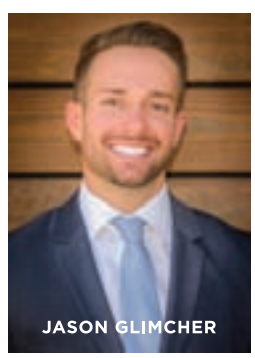

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A re-creation at the Scottsdale Historical Museum of the framed structures that featured outdoor kitchens and were generally too hot to spend much time in during the summer.

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BRAVING THE HEAT

Life in the Valley of the Sun before air conditioning

By Anthony Wallace

Modern air conditioning has been a widespread feature in homes and vehicles for less than 50 years, but humans have lived in the Valley of the Sun for millennia. As we lament the heat of the summertime, we may gain some perspective by looking back to a time before there were 70-degree refuges readily available in Arizona.

How did these brave ancestors of ours survive the summer without the cool blasting reprieve of the air conditioner? It wasn't easy. They used some of the same strategies we employ today and many others that most of us haven't considered.

Nomadic peoples roamed the Valley as early as 9000 B.C., but our area's first serious agricultural settlers were the Hohokam. They began settling the areas surrounding the once-raging Salt River around the year 1 A.D.

Today, you can visit the remains of the epicenter of their civilization at the Pueblo Grande Museum near Sky Harbor Airport. To enable this permanent settlement, the Hohokam people developed an extensive canal system to funnel water off the river to keep their crops growing year-round.

As far as bearing the brutal sun, they did the best they could.

"I am sure there were no great ways for dealing with the heat by the ancient Pueblo people who lived in the area," said Professor Donald L. Fixico, a scholar of American Indian Studies at ASU. "Surely, they used water from the river and canals to cool themselves and keep hydrated."



Martha Summerhayes

The museum features some re-creations of various home structures they employed throughout their history. These adobe homes feature shaded ramada-type structures outside main rooms that many believe functioned as places of refuge on hot days.

For them, outside in the shade was the coolest possible place to be in the summertime. Despite this seemingly brutal lifestyle, the Hohokam were able to maintain a steady presence in the area for 1,500 years.

American settlers arrived in central Arizona in the early 19th century. Perhaps the most vivid account of living here in this time comes from Martha Summerhayes, the wife of an Army lieutenant.

According to Summerhayes, at that time, the then Arizona territory was said to be "the hottest place that ever existed." She spent 1876–1878 at old Fort McDowell and offers fascinating, amusing and intimate insight as to what daily life was like in her book, *Vanished Arizona*.

She talks of uncomfortably hot dresses, perpetually dusty hair, "indescribably" smelly rotten food and swimming in the Verde River.

She and her family slept outdoors on iron cots with their legs stuck in cans of water to ward off ants and scorpions, but the "incredibly" early sunrise and disconcerting howls of nearby coyotes prevented anyone from getting much rest.

"The good sweet slumber which I craved never came to me in those weird Arizona nights under the stars," Summerhayes wrote.

In fact, according to Scottsdale Historian Joan Fudala, before the arrival of swamp coolers in the 20s, in the summertime, Valley dwellers almost exclusively slept outside, sometimes wrapping themselves in wet blankets.

In those years, there were very few traditional houses or structures in town. Most were tent homes: framed structures with big canvas flaps on the side that could be opened to catch any morning or evening breeze (you can see a re-creation of one at the Scottsdale Historical Museum in Old Town). These homes featured outdoor



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Families used to take a dip in the canal to cool off during the summer.



PHOTO: SCOTTSDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Scottsdale founder Winfield Scott (second from right) celebrates his birthday with an outdoor dinner in 1906.

> ***"The good sweet slumber which I craved never came to me in those weird Arizona nights under the stars. I did not like those desert places, and they grew to have a horror for me."*** *— Martha Summerhayes*

kitchens and were generally far too hot to spend much time in during the summer.

"It helped the sense of community because everybody was out doing things in their front yard in the evenings. I guess you really did get to know your neighbors when you were sleeping next to them," Fudala said.

In a time before swimming pools, early Arizonans swam in large cattle troughs, canals and the now dried-up Salt River at a popular place once called "Tempe Beach."

In 1918, electricity arrived in Scottsdale and with it, the town's first swamp cooler appeared at Brown's General Store.

Slowly but surely, things started to change.

Traditional, fully-enclosed homes sprung up and people began to sleep and cook inside. Refrigeration radically expanded the availability of raw meat and dairy and an ice cream parlor opened in Old Town. The concept of the "summer blockbuster" also developed in the 20s as the area's first cooled movie theaters opened in Phoenix and Tempe, offering a respite from the heat.

Still, evaporative cooling wasn't perfect. Nearly all the area's resorts closed in the summer, and the Valley was still perceived as an extreme place to live. Air conditioning changed that.

The history of modern AC is intertwined with the history of Phoenix. In the 1940s, local company Goettl created the first air conditioning units that could be effectively used to cool buildings to the luxurious indoor temperatures to which we've since grown accustomed.

Fudala says that although there were many factors in our area's population explosion following WWII, without AC, none of that growth would have been possible.

Although we still complain, to be sure, we have quite an advantage over our pre-AC ancestors. They found ingenious ways to survive, but as Summerhayes reminds us, it was not easy.

"I did not like those desert places, and they grew to have a horror for me," Summerhayes concluded.



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Hohokam structure.



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Thatch roof in 1909 located at 68th St. and Indian School.



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Church on Brown and Indian School circa 1920. The slats in the roof provided ventilation.

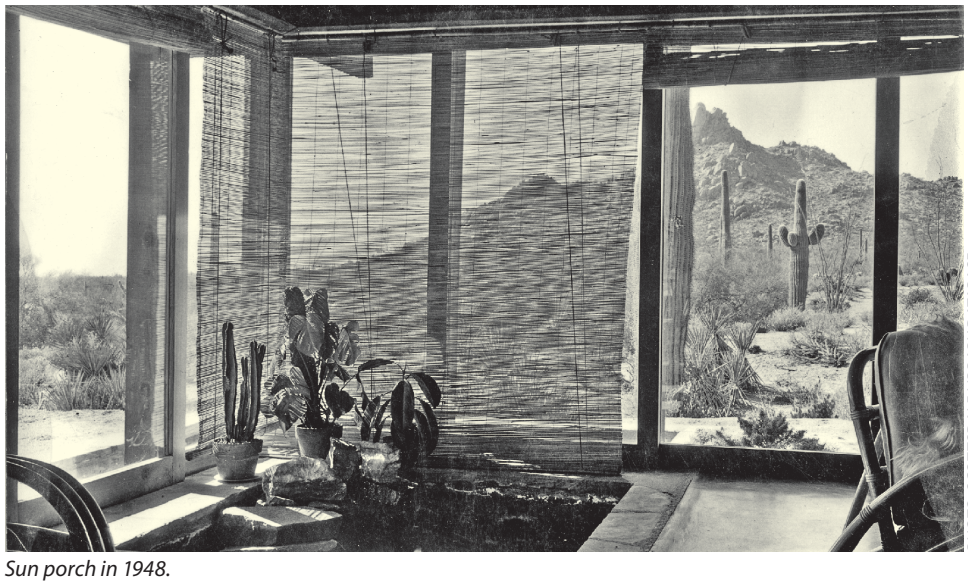


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Sun porch in 1948.



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House with an evaporative cooler on the right side of the roof, circa 1970.






Celebrating Arizona this Independence Day

By Robin Sewell

When I think of July, what immediately pops into my head is fireworks, the smell of burgers on the grill and wiping the sand from my feet after dipping my toes in the ocean. I have spent the better part of 20 years searching for the Arizona connection to every big celebration and even though we were not one of the original 13 colonies, Arizona's independent American spirit is robust.

In 1912, when we achieved statehood, it did not take Arizona long to become our



country's newest "It Girl." Our beauty captured the attention and imagination of Hollywood, who declared that Arizona was where "God put the West."

Soon after, President Roosevelt would dedicate that huge hole north of Flagstaff as a place all Americans should see and that this Natural Wonder of the World would forever be a monument that belonged to everyone. If sharing our beauty on screen wasn't enough, Arizona's saguaro

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cactus has become the grand symbol of the American West.

America's greatest pastime is deeply rooted in the history of the Grand Canyon State, so you could say it is also Arizona's greatest pastime. I have stepped foot on the oldest baseball field in the country in Bisbee. I have been told that long before statehood we had teams in our mining and farming communities that would travel all over to compete.

Arizona was very progressive. We had teams for both women and minorities in those territorial days. I guess our history with baseball was enough of a natural transition to bring the boys of summer to the warm dry Arizona desert to play ball each spring.

The San Francisco Giants banked so much on our Cactus League in 1959, they even built the Francisco Grande Hotel and had a practice field in Casa Grande. This hotel, with structural features that pay homage to baseball, is a must-see for fans of the sport.

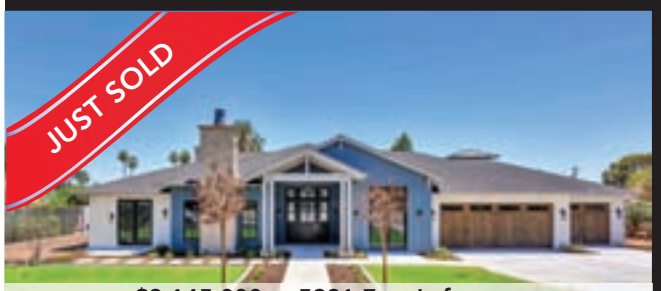
Another Americana lexicon that happens to go great with baseball is hot dogs. This Arizona girl prefers the Sonoran Dog, which was invented in Tucson and is apparently catching on across the country. What makes it unique is the bacon-wrapped dog, pinto beans and jalapeño salsa.

Arizona's foray to statehood may have come long after the United States was formed, but our impact in preserving one of the most iconic pieces of modern America, Route 66, has been embraced by the world. This is our "Liberty Bell," a piece of American history that was once in disrepair. Bypassed by I-40, a faster superhighway, Route 66 through Arizona was vital to the depression-era development of the Western U.S.

Sure, today it's kind of kitsch with its neon signs, diners and classic cars, but the longest continuous stretch is here in our state and it is a major tourist attraction. Thanks to proud Americans like Angel Delgadillo, the guardian angel of Route 66, it's here to stay. Keeping Route 66 intact for future generations to follow the dust bowl trail described by Steinbeck, get their kicks on Route 66 like the Rat Pack or get their motor running because they were born to be wild with the independent spirit of an Easy Rider is our honor and privilege.



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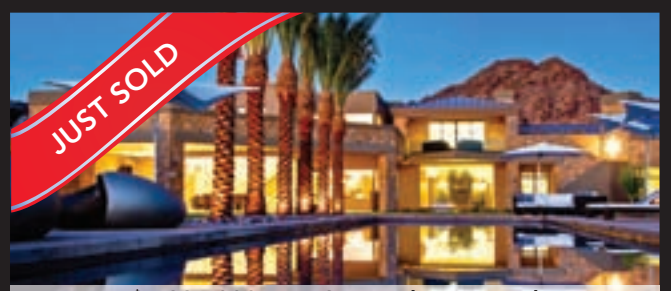
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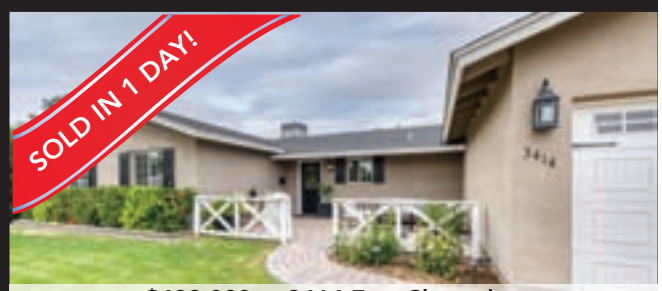
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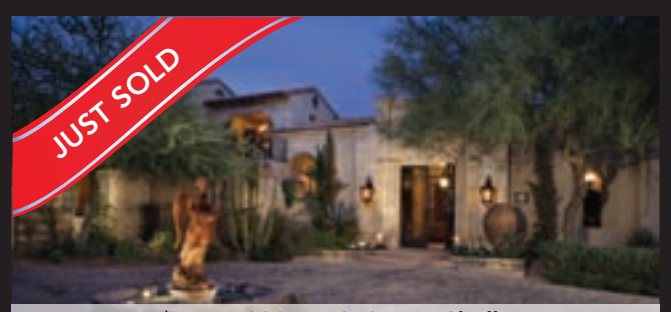
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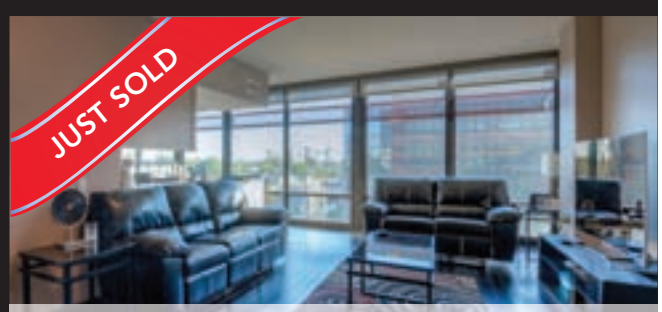
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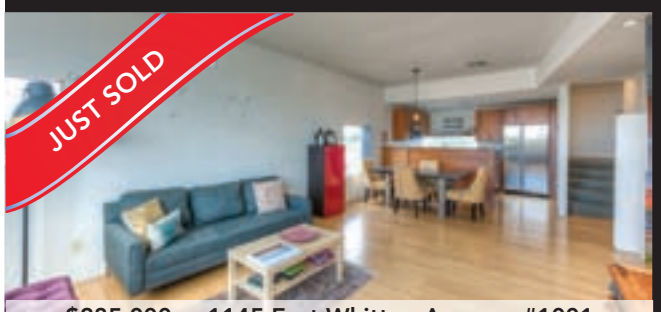
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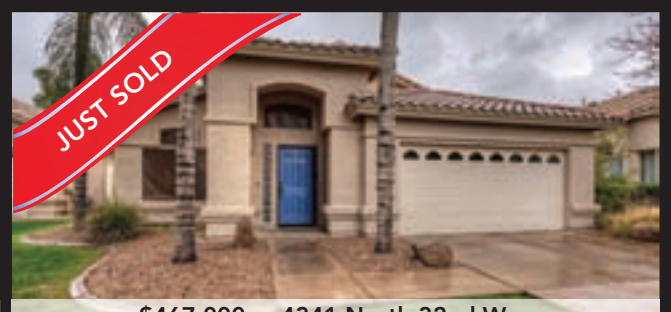
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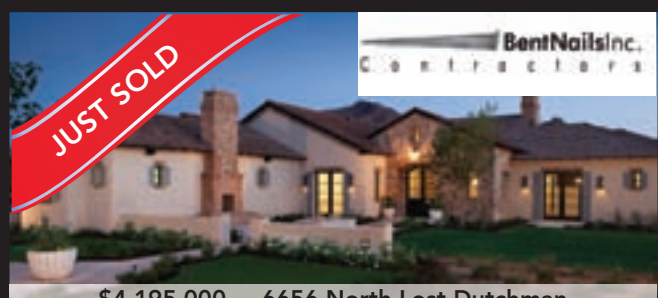
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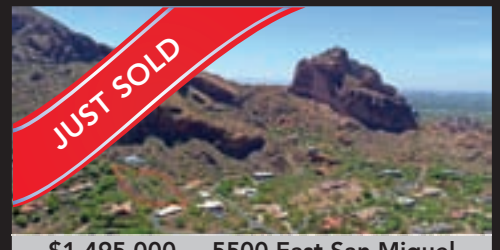
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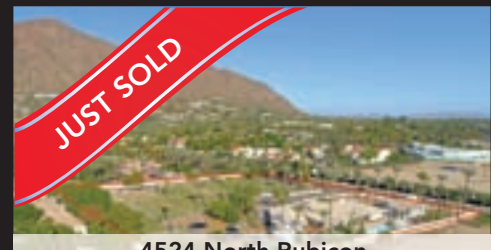
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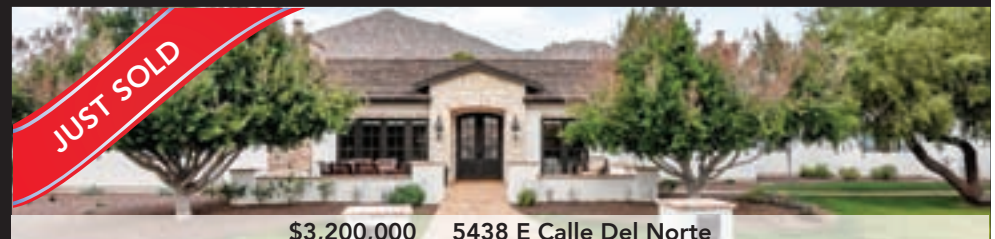
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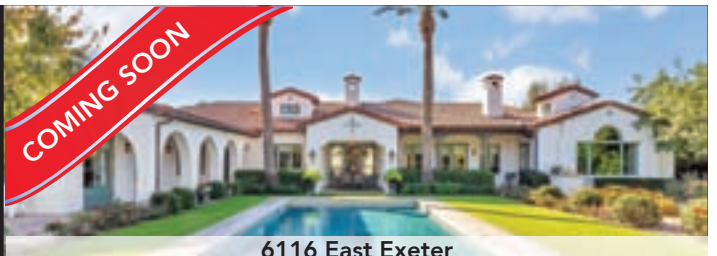
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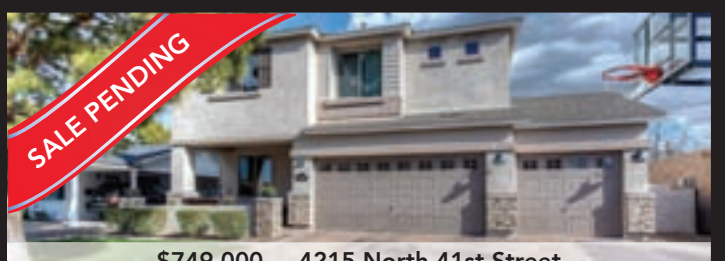
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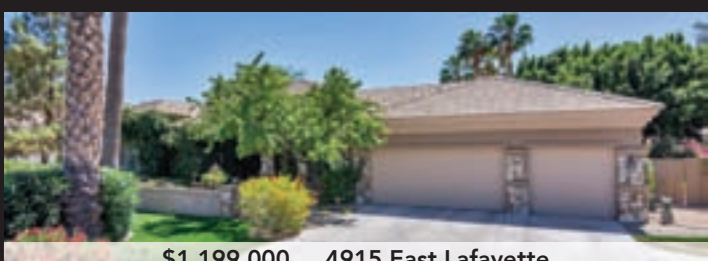
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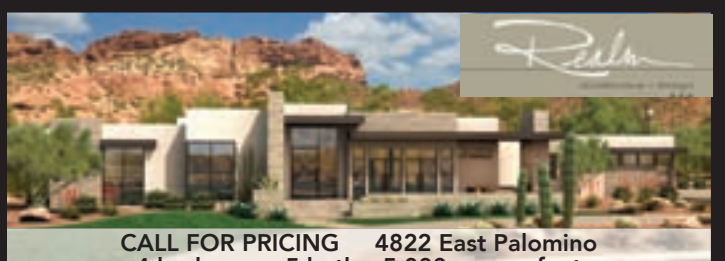
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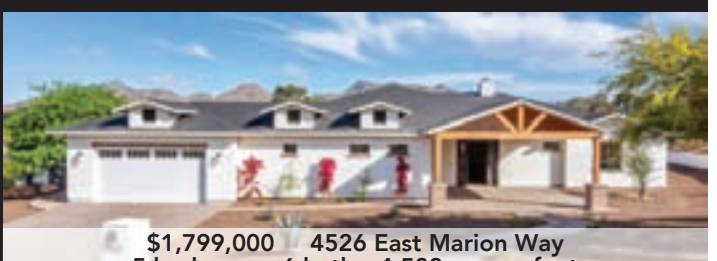
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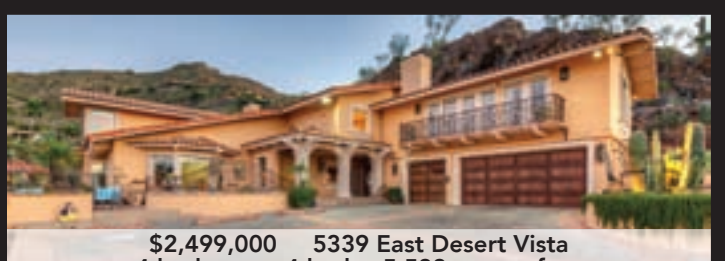
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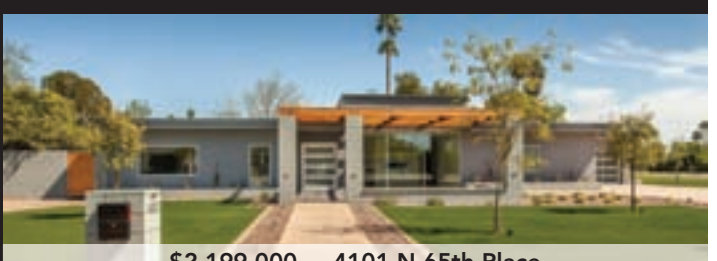
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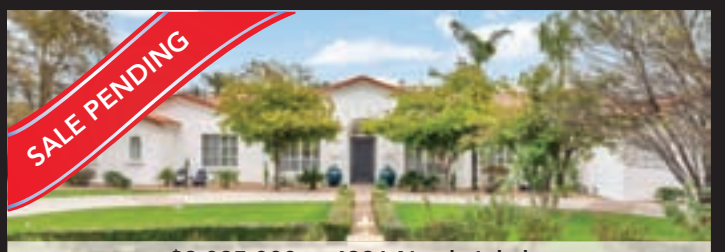
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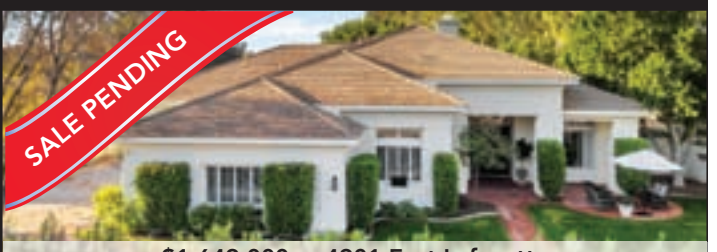
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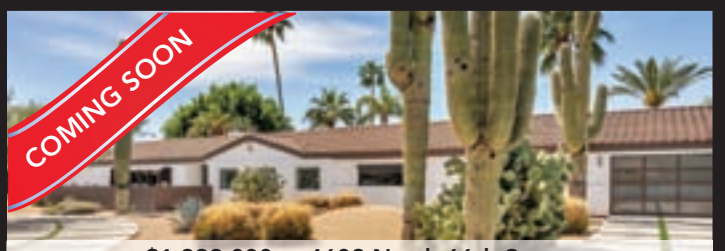
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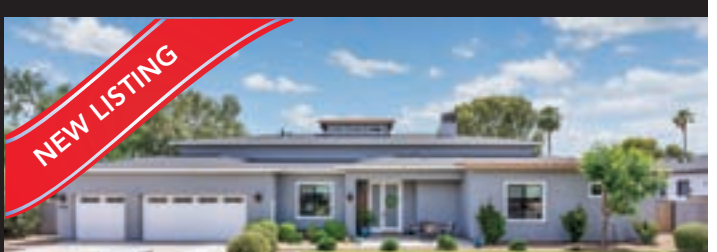
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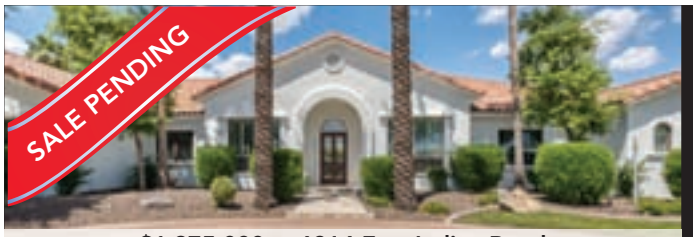


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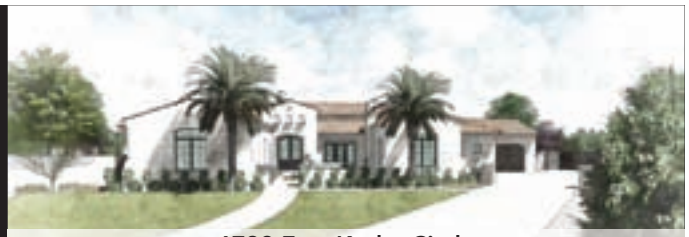
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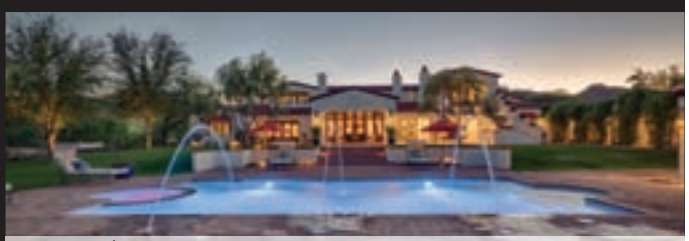
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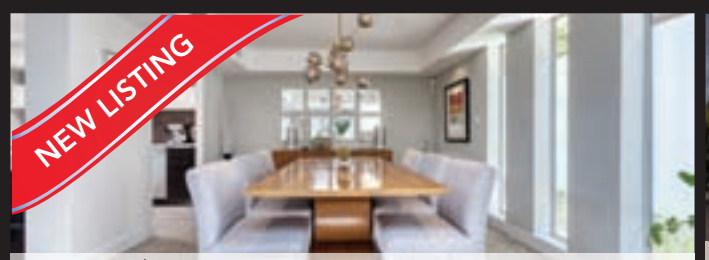
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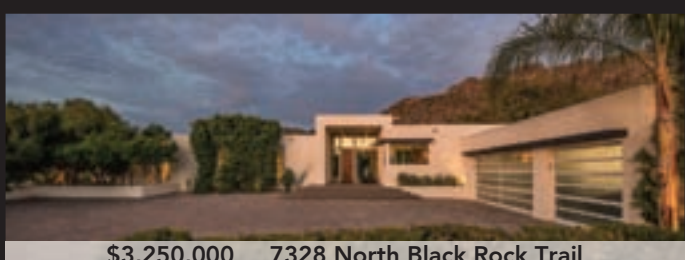
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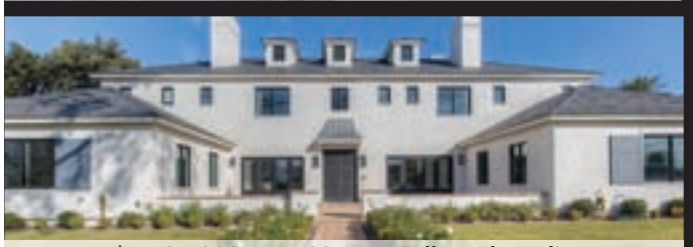
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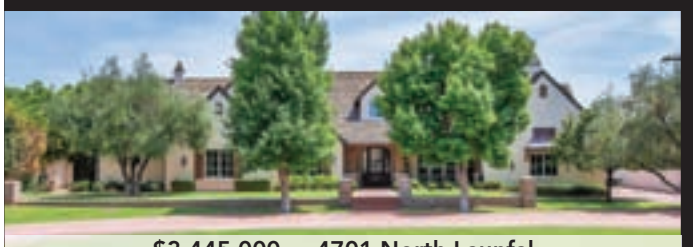
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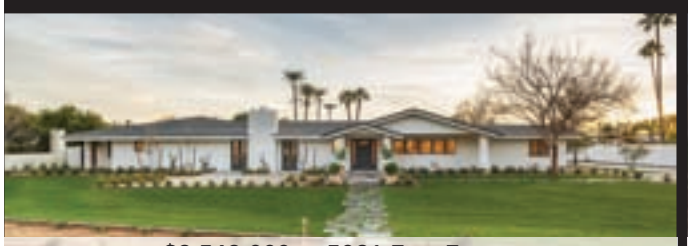
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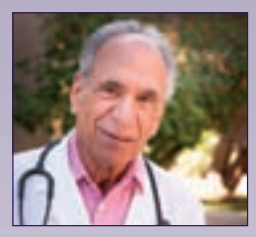


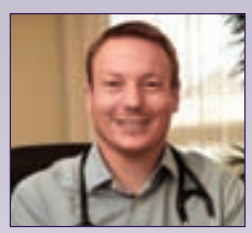
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Back-to-school supply drives



By Cody Kennedy

Back-to-school time is coming up, which means there's an opportunity to support the numerous neighborhood organizations that provide students with clothing, food and school supplies so that every child has a chance to succeed. Here are a few back-to-school drives happening in the Valley:

The Salvation Army: Backpack SOS

***When*:** July 9 – July 27

***Where*:** All Fry's food stores in Arizona and Bank of Arizona in the Phoenix Metro area.

***Needs*:** Backpacks, folders, pens, pencils, paper, glue, rulers, crayons, markers, erasers, spiral notebooks, loose leaf paper and scissors, etc.

***For more*:** salvationarmyphoenix.org.

Boys Hope Girls Hope

***When*:** Now – August 9

***Where*:** Donations can be dropped off at the Boys Hope Girls Hope office, 3443 N. Central Ave., Arcade 7, Phoenix.

***Needs*:** Graph composition notebooks, college-ruled loose-leaf paper, graph paper, dry erase markers, highlighters, folders, mechanical pencils and lead, Post-it notes, subject dividers, USB drives, etc.

***For more*:** BHGHAZ.org.

St. Vincent DePaul

This year St. Vincent DePaul is running a virtual drive for school supplies through Amazon Wish List. The virtual drive will help to include Arizona's winter visitors as well as locals still braving the heat.

***When*:** Now – July 8

***Where*:** Online. Donations are shipped directly to St. Vincent's, 420 W. Watkins Road, Phoenix. SVDP asks that donations be made through AmazonSmile instead of the basic Amazon.com. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.

***Needs*:** Backpacks, loose leaf paper, graphing calculators, notebooks, Post-its, scissors, index cards, highlighters, glue, folders, markers, etc.

***For more*:** stvincentdepaul.net.

New Pathways for Youth

***When*:** Now – July 5

***Where*:** 1001 E. Pierce St., Phoenix – SE corner of Pierce and 10th. Contact Mary Beth Gregory at mbgregory@npfy.org to arrange a drop-off time.

***Needs*:** Blue/black pens, #2 pencils, highlighters, crayons, backpacks, scissors, 3-ring binders, tablets and folders, etc.

***For more*:** npfy.org.

City of Scottsdale Back-to-School Program

***When*:** Now – July 24

***Where*:** Donations can be dropped at Vista Del Camino Center, 7700 E. Roosevelt St., Scottsdale; Monday – Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

***Needs*:** Large backpacks, 3-ring binders, markers, pens, pencils, notebooks, paper, etc.

***For more*:** scottsdaleaz.gov.

Back-to-school Clothing Drive – Volunteer Opportunity

***When*:** July 22 – 26

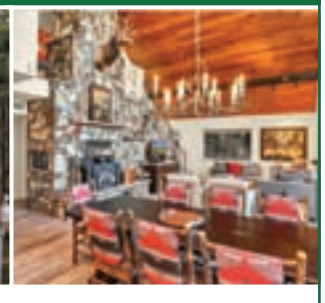
***Where*:** Grand Canyon University Antelope Performance Center, 3300 W. Camelback Road, Phoenix.

Needs: Volunteers to help fill backpacks with school supplies. There are three shift options available: 7 a.m.-noon, noon-5 p.m. and 5-8 p.m.

***For more*:** backtoschoolclothingdrive.com.

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AHS continues student filmmaking tradition at annual festival

By Anthony Wallace

Arcadia High School has a long and proud tradition of its students producing films for the big screen. In fact, arguably the most famous filmmaker of all time got his start while attending the school.

In 1964, as a junior at Arcadia, Steven Spielberg produced his first film, *Firelight*. The score was performed by the AHS band and the film reportedly generated $500 in revenue, just enough to break even.



This May, 55 years after Spielberg's debut, six groups of Arcadia High students premiered short films, each 12 to 15 minutes in length, at the Harkins Shea 14 Theatres. The films were screened as part of the eighth annual Arcadia High School Film Festival.

The films are the event's main attraction, but the festival also features award presentations for film and broadcast.

Arcadia's broadcast students produce, write and direct a 7 to 10-minute live newscast that goes out to their 1,700 classmates each morning.

"We're one of the big feeder schools for broadcast journalism, media communications and film," said Media Communications Booster Club President Alex Smith. "From Arcadia, many of the graduates go on to prestigious programs at Chapman, Loyola Marymount, NYU and other programs around the country."

Seniors Rachael Schulman, Alexa Teneyck and Brendan Weinerth each earned honors for excelling in their broadcast and film classes.

Although the bulk of the night's awards went to seniors, the Fan Favorite Award for best short film was claimed by a group of sophomores.

The winning film, *Pedro*, follows a young girl's quest to find a "Peanut Spice Latte." The film was pitched, written and produced by sophomore Grace Woehler.

"The plot is: she's at this school where there's these two gangs and they both think she's the chosen one destined to end their ongoing battle and she wants nothing to do with it," Grace said.

In the fall, each student in the school's four film classes pitched a movie idea and their classmates voted for the two best to produce.

Once the winning pitches were determined, those who pitched them wrote a script and their classmates applied for various roles in the film's production. Over the course of the school year, the group turned the script into a short film.

Grace's vision was for a comedic film that would parody the stereotypical "hero's journey" storyline.



PHOTO BY ERIC LUSE

Winners of the Fan Favorite Award: (top row from left) Jordan Lara, Nicole Martin, Étoile Scofield, Zach Sweeney. (bottom row) Grace Woehler, Sofia Roddy.

"The plot is supposed to progress and the main character is completely against it. They're just sitting on the floor, refusing to do anything," Grace said.

When Grace started at Arcadia, she had no real intentions of pursuing film. Now, thanks to her positive experiences with the program, she aspires to be a screenwriter or director.

"I only really planned on taking it just for one year to have fun, but I ended up falling in love with it," Grace said.

"I think the programs are a very unifying thing to have on campus and kids just really look forward to it," Alex, the club president, said.

Whether the next Spielberg is in this batch of young filmmakers remains to be seen, but for now, they are all having a great time.



NEWS BRIEFS

ONE-STOP SHOP

A new nutrition business has opened at Biltmore Fashion Park. One Stop Nutrition has more than 30 locations and welcomed its newest at the Biltmore in June. Each shop offers nutritional shakes, coffee, free Wi-Fi, tanning and an educated staff on hand to answer nutrition questions. One Stop is open seven days a week. For more: onestopnutrition.com.

HOLA LOLA

Arcadia has welcomed Lola Coffee, which opened in late May. This coffee shop offers iced/hot coffee and tea drinks, plus a breakfast menu including oatmeal, omelets and breakfast burritos. Lola occupies the former space for Masterpiece Donuts on the northwest corner of 40th St. and Indian School Road. For more, visit the Lola Coffee Facebook page.

SWEET TOOTH

A banquet-style candy shop has opened up in the Biltmore area on the corner of 24th St. and Camelback. Sweet Tooth Candy Buffets is a custom candy design business catering to special events such as birthdays, bridal and baby showers and corporate events. If you're looking for something to sweeten up your event, Sweet Tooth might have just what you need – in the form of donuts, cake pops, sour belts and rice krispie treats. For more: sweettoothcandybuffets.com.


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Chef Badman (fourth from right) started the Blue Watermelon Project to encourage students to maintain healthier eating habits. Chef Badman recently won the 2019 James Beard Award as Best Chef in the Southwest.

Chef unites culinary leaders to improve nutrition education

By Riley Kissee

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 18.5 percent of U.S. children are affected by obesity and are at risk for poor health. What's more, many schools have a limited budget to spend on lunch, which can affect the quality and nutrition of the food, not to mention academic performance.

For the past several years, Chef Charleen Badman of FnB Restaurant in Scottsdale has worked through an organization of chefs, restaurateurs, farmers and community food advocates to educate youth about food, with the goal of encouraging lifelong healthy eating habits.

The organization, called Blue Watermelon Project, focuses on three main goals: helping future generations diversify the types of foods and flavors they consume, encouraging schools to serve fresh and healthy food to students and preparing students and families for academic and social success.

"The name Blue Watermelon was made up after explaining to my best friend's husband what we were trying to accomplish as a group. Watermelon being a food and something children usually enjoy and Blue Watermelon, which is something never seen before and unusual," Badman said.

> ***"My inspiration for the program comes from the last 10 years working with Ann and Lou Rodarte and their Chef in the Garden Program at Echo Canyon."***

"We go into classrooms to teach kids about the importance of nutritious food and where it comes from. We also raise money to help schools and school districts rethink relationships with food," says Badman. "My inspiration for the program comes from the last 10 years working with Ann and Lou Rodarte and their Chef in the Garden Program at Echo Canyon."

Echo Canyon School's Chef in the Garden Program invites local chefs to share their knowledge by hosting an interactive cooking demonstration with students.

During Badman's first class, the students crafted meatballs and panna cotta infused with lemon verbena. Although she wasn't sure what the response would be on some of the unfamiliar ingredients, she was met with all positives.

Through the non-profit Blue Watermelon Project, Badman has taken this concept a step further and teamed up with culinary leaders to incorporate taste education and culinary techniques into K-12 curriculum.

Families are also given resources to create nutritious recipes at home, with the hope that the students will develop healthy habits.

All funds raised for Blue Watermelon Project go back into the program and fully support their non-profit efforts.

Badman is a culinary industry veteran with more than 30 years under her belt. She's spent nearly 10 of those years refining her craft at FnB Restaurant in Old Town Scottsdale with co-owner Pavle Milic.

Including this year, Badman has been a James Beard Award semifinalist five times in a row. This year, Badman's community efforts and acclaimed culinary skills were enough to finally win the James Beard Award as 2019 Best Chef in the Southwest.

The Southwest award region includes Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Utah. To be considered for the accolade, her colleagues, previous winners, journalists and others had to nominate her.

FnB Restaurant features an ever-changing veggie-forward menu that places an emphasis on locally-sourced ingredients and curated wine pairings.

For more on the Blue Watermelon Project: slowfoodphoenix.org.

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After 30 years in the business, Chef Badman has perfected the recipe on teaching children healthy eating habits.



***Paiute Park** splash pad in Scottsdale.*

Bring on the waterworks

By Rhys Lee

Walking outside in July, it feels like the sun is trying to smite you out of existence. You turn three shades redder if you haven't already put on sunscreen. You want to leave the confines of your house, but you need an affordable option to stay cool.

Here are some water parks, splash pads and shaded areas to help satisfy your cabin fever:

PAIUTE PARK

3210 N. 66th St., Scottsdale
Scottsdaleaz.gov

Spanning eight acres, Paiute Park offers it all: splash pad for the little ones, shaded picnic areas, shaded play area, basketball and tennis courts and soccer fields. Sitting just outside of downtown Scottsdale, this is the perfect place to picnic and stay cool. The park is open seven days a week, sunrise to 10:30 p.m.

VISTA DEL CAMINO PARK

7700 E. Roosevelt St., Scottsdale
Scottsdaleaz.gov

Stretching a mile along the Indian Bend Wash, Vista Del Camino Park contains grassy areas, disc golf, large trees with plenty of shade, barbecues and a splash pad. Cool off by the water and walk along the scenic trail. Kids can play on the splash pad while you stay cool in the shade. The park is open seven days a week, sunrise to 10:30 p.m.

ALTADENA PARK

3711 E. Altadena Ave., Phoenix
Phoenix.gov

With grassy lawns and large trees, Altadena Park is perfect for a family barbecue. Little ones can play on the play structure and run through the splash pad. The only thing the park is lacking is a restroom. The park is open from 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. The splash pad is turned off on Sundays.

CITYSCAPE

1 E. Washington St., Phoenix
Reddevelopment.com

This one isn't a park; however, Cityscape offers a large splash pad with umbrella covered seating in the heart of downtown Phoenix. Accessible from the light rail, you can come shop, dine and let the kids cool off in the water. Cityscape's hours for the splash pad are every day from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

SIX FLAGS HURRICANE HARBOR

4243 W. Pinnacle Peak Road, Glendale
Sixflags.com

Hurricane Harbor boasts water rides for all ages and thrill seekers. The more adventurous can ride the Anaconda, Bahama Blaster and the Tornado. Families can enjoy attractions like the Adventure River or the Hurricane Bay. For the truly competitive, the Wahoo Racers tests one's aerodynamics. Younger kids can enjoy Splashwater Beach or Splash Island. Regular tickets start at $40 a ticket if you buy in advance. At the gate, general admission is $45.99, kids under 48" are $35.99 and children 2 and under are free.

GOLFLAND SUNSPLASH

155 W. Hampton Ave., Mesa
Golfland.com

If you're looking for more than just water, there is Golfland Sunsplash. Miniature golf, arcade games and laser tag are a few examples. Inside the waterpark, there are thrill rides like Thunder Falls and Stormrider, each standing about seven stories tall. For something more relaxed, there is Thunder Bay wave pool or Lazy River. Little ones can enjoy the Toddler Tadpole Pool or the Caribbean Water Works. Golfland is open every day from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunsplash opens at 11 a.m.; general admission for Sunsplash is $34.

BIG SURF

1500 N. McClintock Dr., Tempe
Bigsurffun.com

Luckily for Arcadia, this waterpark is just a hop, skip and a wave away in Tempe. Attractions include the Waikiki Beach wave pool, Hurricane slides and the Black Hole, where you won't be able to see anything until the light at the end of the tunnel. Kid-friendly rides include Bora Bora Bay, the Otter slides and Captain Cook's Landing. In the 50 years since Big Surf opened in 1969, the waterpark has appeared in three Hollywood movies (most recently, *Another Day in Paradise* (2016), and they have hosted concerts from musicians like Pink Floyd, Elton John and the Beach Boys. General admission is $34 and $21 for kids 4 and under.

Big Surf opens at 10 a.m.; 11 a.m. on Sunday and closes at 6 p.m.; 9 p.m. on Friday.

PV Christian Prep third grader earns gold in Math Olympics

By Anthony Wallace

Some people view math as a subject best left to professionals. Grace Gould, a third grader at Paradise Valley Christian Preparatory, is not one of those people.

"I love math. It's my favorite subject," Grace said.

Although Grace is only in elementary school, she has years of mathematical computations under her belt. Her favorite pastimes include doing complex puzzles such as Rubik's cubes and slide puzzles.

Recognizing her propensity for the subject, Grace's mother Marissa, a teacher, started giving her multiplication lessons in the summer leading up to second grade.

"I realized it was really fun," Grace said.

Just recently, she had the chance to put her math skills to the test.

Grace's school is a member of the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI). Each year, the ACSI's Rocky Mountain region, which includes schools in Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming, puts on a Math Olympics event to celebrate their most mathematically-proficient students.

To compete for a gold medal, Grace first had to advance through a months-long qualification process consisting of four qualifying exams at her school. After each test, the field was reduced until the final exam, which was held at Grace Christian Academy in Tempe.

Grace was among nine third graders from the region selected to compete for the gold in the Arithmetic Computation category at the Math Olympics.

When the time came, she was led into a room with her fellow competitors and provided a desk to complete the test. There were four rounds of questions, each lasting 11 minutes and consisting of 12 problems.

Grace recalled one of the questions as: (750*2) (500*8).

There were no calculators allowed. After the test was complete, Grace waited anxiously for over an hour with her mother and brother while the judges tabulated the results.

"I didn't even think I got in the top five. I was so nervous," Grace said.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARISSA GOULD

Grace Gould has enjoyed practicing her math skills since she could hold a pencil.

Eventually the suspense was broken, and Grace was announced as the winner of her category.

"I was so excited I could barely control myself from running up to the stage. I was like 'Oh my gosh,'" Grace said.

Grace believes her understanding of math concepts will help her future goal of becoming an athlete.

"I want to be a professional soccer player," Grace said. "Practicing math kind of helps me know strategy by looking at the field and knowing where to go."

The Gould family, which includes Grace's two siblings (her brother Patrick also competed in the Math Olympics), defies the popular idea that math is a drag.

"My experience has been that if kids think math is boring, then it will be boring and they will shut down," Marissa said. "If you can convince them that it's a game, a mystery, a puzzle, then their attitude changes. Thankfully, all three of our kids have embraced the 'math is fun' idea."

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TUESDAY 7/2

Foam Fundays

6 – 7:30 p.m. at Desert Ridge Marketplace, 21001 N. Tatum Blvd., Phoenix. Things are getting foamy at Desert Ridge. There will be a foam zone at the splash pad, foam-inspired activities such as painting, dancing and live music from Funergy, lawn games and giveaways. This activity is for all ages. For more: shopdesertridge.com.

THURSDAY 7/4

"Fortnite" Fourth

4 – 9:30 p.m. at WestWorld, 16601 N. Pima Road, Scottsdale. Fireworks don't have to be the only fun part of your 4th of July celebration. Head over to Westworld and enjoy a Fortnite interactive experience, laser tag, dance party, canine stunt show, superhero appearances, petting zoo, carnival rides and 4th of July themed food and drinks for purchase. General admission is $15. For more: scottsdale4th.com.

4th of Zooly

7 – 10 p.m. at the Phoenix Zoo, 455 N. Galvin Pwky., Phoenix. Celebrate the 4th like a party animal at the Phoenix Zoo. There will be free endangered species carousel rides, special animal guest appearances, a DJ providing the tunes and special seating for guests to view the firework display at Tempe Town Lake, plus food and drinks available for purchase. Tickets are $45 for adults and $35 for kids. For more: phoenixzoo.org.



Carnival of Illusion *at the Arizona Biltmore in Phoenix.*

SATURDAY 7/6

Carnival of Illusion

4:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the Arizona Biltmore, 2400 E. Missouri Ave., Phoenix. Using an international travel theme blended with a vaudeville-inspired road show, this magic show is sure to dazzle. There will be illusions, card tricks, smoke and mirrors and more. The audience is encouraged to participate. Travel back to the 1900s with the national recipients for the "Excellence in Magic" award. Ages are 8 and up, but this event is geared more toward the grown-ups. Tickets are $45-$60. For more: carnivalofillusion.com.

Bootcamp Classes

10 a.m. at Lustre Rooftop Bar, 2 E. Jefferson St., Phoenix. Lustre presents the "Earn Your Booze" complimentary bootcamp classes at the rooftop bar. Guests can attend yoga, CrossFit or cardio-themed classes and then head to the bar for a well-deserved cocktail. There will also be dancing so you can keep on moving – if your legs will let you. For more: lustrerooftopbar.com.

SUNDAY 7/7

The Good Life Phoenix Market

10 a.m. – noon at Unexpected Venue, 734 W. Polk St., Phoenix. This is an indoor event that focuses on only the good – and local – stuff. There will be an indoor farmers market with over 50 vendors, including food, apparel and home goods. There will also be live entertainment, yoga classes and food trucks. This event is free. For more,



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visit The Good Life PHX Market Facebook page.

MONDAY 7/8

Zia Nights

7:30 p.m. at FilmBar, 815 N. 2nd St., Phoenix. Presented in part by Zia Records, FilmBar presents the classic cult film *UHF*, featuring Weird Al Yankovic as George, who creates a series of television shows based on social satire and hyperactive humor with the help of his best friend – and hilarity ensues. Zia Records will also be doing giveaways after the film. Tickets are $10. For more: thefilmbarphx.com.

THURSDAY 7/11

Ladies' Craft Night – Welcome Mats

6:30 – 10:30 p.m. at Craft Nights Studio, 10832 N. 32nd St., Phoenix. Ladies, if you're looking for a little time away from the family, head to this Ladies' Night crafting event. Guests will learn how to stencil and paint their own welcome mats, with five designs to choose from. This event is BYOB, which means you can bring your own snacks and wine. Registration is $35. For more: craftnights.com.



Winter in July *at the Phoenix Zoo.*

FRIDAY 7/12

Dueling Pianos

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. at Desert Botanical Garden, 1201 N. Galvin Pkwy., Phoenix. Arizona's Dueling Pianos presents a night in the garden with a toe-tapping performance from two of their best. Patrons will head into Dorrance Hall and sing-along to favorites while the pros duel it out – it might be tough to stay in your seat. Salads, snacks and alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks will be available for purchase. Tickets are $30. For more: dbg.org.

SATURDAY 7/13

Winter in July

7 – 11 a.m. at the Phoenix Zoo, 455 N. Galvin Pkwy., Phoenix. Over 50 tons of snow will be "brought in" to the zoo, with icy activities, games, snow piles, blizzards, live music and creature features, where you can meet some of the zoo's residents. Chill out with winter in July. Tickets are $25 for adults and $15 for kids. For more: phoenixzoo.org.

Farmers Market Series

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Hotel Valley Ho, 6850 E. Main St., Scottsdale. Hotel Valley Ho presents a free, indoor neighborhood farmers market with local chefs and businesses. This month, enjoy bites from Chef Russell LaCasce along with Chefs Curtis Cameron of Scottsdale National Golf Club and Ana Garza of Sanctuary with the foodie theme "Sweet Treats." Shop, sip and eat to your heart's content. For more: hotelvalleyho.com.

SUNDAY 7/14

Ice Cream Social

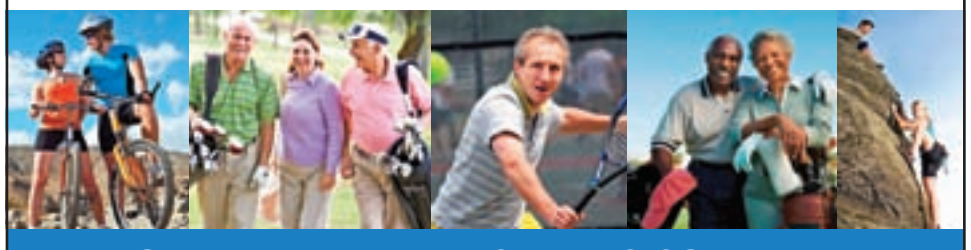
1 p.m. at the Rosson House Museum, 113 N. 6th St., Phoenix. There's nothing wrong with a little history lesson even when school is out. Guests are invited to take a guided tour of the 1895 Rosson House and learn about the people who called it home. After, head to The Bungalow to indulge in an old-fashioned ice cream sundae while you relax, socialize and maybe play a game of croquet. Tickets are $15. For more: heritagesquarephx.org.

Experience France

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the Musical Instrument Museum, 4725 E. Mayo Blvd., Phoenix. France is pretty far away, but that doesn't mean we can't celebrate the French spirit right here



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in Arizona. The Musical Instrument Museum presents "Experience France," where guests can celebrate Bastille Day and learn all about the French culture. There will be live music and dance performances, activities and a French-inspired café menu. Admission is $20 per person. For more: mim.org.

WEDNESDAY 7/17

Grown Ups Table

6 p.m. at Beckett's Table, 3717 E. Indian School Road, Phoenix. Chef Justin Beckett invites the community to experience this year's summer dinner series at Beckett's Table. Guests will be seated at the community table and will enjoy three family-style dinner courses paired with three drinks. Meet new friends and savor a special meal. Registration is $48 per person. For more: beckettstable.com.

Educator Day and Resource Expo

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Children's Museum of Phoenix, 215 N. 7th St., Phoenix. If you're a teacher, this event is for you. Early childhood and elementary educators will receive free admission for themselves and one guest at the museum. Explore three floors of educational exhibits and then visit the Educator Resource Expo where organizations will be sharing information about their products and services that can enhance students' learning. Attendees must RSVP. For more: childrensmuseumofphoenix.org.

THURSDAY 7/18

Winemaker Dinner

6:30 – 9 p.m. at Alto Ristorante E Bar at the Hyatt Regency, 7500 E. Doubletree Ranch Road, Scottsdale. Learn the ins and outs of your favorite wines at the monthly Winemaker Dinner series. This month, guests will enjoy Frog's Leap wines with an expertly prepared dinner, all while mingling with other wine lovers. There will be a cocktail reception beforehand. Registration is $95. For more: hyatt.com.

FRIDAY 7/19

Beer 'N Bingo

7 p.m. at Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art, 7374 E. 2nd St., Scottsdale. Casinos aren't the only place for bingo games. SMoCA will be hosting this bash, where guests can get their bingo on while sampling a local craft brew. There will also be a bar and snacks available for purchase. Bring all of your good luck charms and reserve your spot at the Beer N' Bingo games. Registration is $15. For more: smoca.org.



Winemaker Dinner *at Alto Ristorante E Bar at the Hyatt Regency in Scottsdale.*

SATURDAY 7/20

SALT Saturday

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix. SALT (Study of Ancient Lifeways and Technologies) Saturdays at Pueblo Grande are a new way to learn and observe prehistoric times and technologies. At each meeting, attendees can learn a new skill; this month is Finger Weaving with Albert Abril. Registration is $6 for adults, $3 for kids. For more: pueblogrande.com.



1979 E. BARRANCA DR. • 5 Bed 8 Bath • $4,100,000

Luxury Lodge located within the guard gated community of Pine Canyon. This luxury mountain retreat is on an acre and half of seclusion surrounded by panoramic golf views. The great room showcases a grand stone fireplace and a glass wall of retractable doors that lead you to the exterior entertaining veranda. A rare 12,000 square feet of living space captures luxury living within the coveted four seasons of Flagstaff. The entertainer's dream kitchen features a center island and a wrap around sit up bar with copper sinks and oil rubbed bronze accents that compliment the commercial stainless appliance package (Wolf range/ovens, side by side Sub-Zero refrigerators, two Asko dishwashers). The formal dining room includes a temperature controlled 300+ bottle wine room, fireplace and dramatic ceilings and windows that over look a private creek and multiple golf holes. The master wing is nothing short of perfection with a private sitting area, sliding glass doors, stone gas fireplace, wet bar, and steps away from the drop in jacuzzi. The master bath retreat includes floor heat, a carved granite soaking tub, steam shower, incredible custom closet and timeless privacy.

The home is truly one of a kind. There is three addition en suites on the second floor. Each room captures endless views and ample natural light. The bunk room has pool table, fireplace and swivel chairs framing the unencumbered views of San Francisco Peaks. This redefines game room! The 10 car garage sprawls amongst the 9th green and commercial barn doors slide completely open for easy access to your car collection. The home theatre is adjacent to the additional garage making this an adult playground for entertainers, car enthusiasts of clients who seek the pinnacle of luxury within the pines.





3310 S. TOURMALINE DR.
3 Bed 3.5 Bath • $1,125,000

This home is on the one of the best lots in Creekside Village that is within the guard gated community of Pine Canyon. The home captures views of the 15th green, 16th tee box and fairway of 16th hole. Enjoy the sound of the nearby stream running. This home is located near Trout Creek park where catch and release fishing can be enjoyed. Great room features rock gas fireplace. This home is highly upgraded with hand scraped wood floors, custom alder cabinets, marble counters, travertine baths and showers, Trex deck that wraps around the entire home with stunning views.



3550 S. BALSAWOOD COURT
5 Bed 4.5 Bath • $1,795,000

Newly remodeled and updated estate over looking a private pond and the 8 green and 9th tee boxes at the Pine Canyon Club. This home lives like a single level however provides room to move! Upstairs is an office and an en suite which captures views of the San Francisco Peaks. The walk out basement offers a theatre and three additional en suites. Private, luxurious and features the best out door living space in Pine Canyon! A must see!

1515 E. CASTLE HILLS DR.
3 Bed 3 Bath • $749,900

Light and bright single level home townhome located in Elk Pass of Pine Canyon. The home site offers privacy as the covered patios are lined with ample mature aspen trees. Pride of ownership shines throughout with extensive upgrades on design and decor throughout this home. The main home consists of 2 bedrooms plus a separate guest house with bathroom.





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MONDAY 7/22 – FRIDAY 7/26

Pop Up Science and Art Summer Session

1 – 4 p.m. at 3428 N. 51st Pl., Phoenix. Keep the kids busy with an afternoon of art and science. This camp will have a different theme every day, such as "space" where campers will make straw rockets and eclipse art; "Lego," where they can earn prizes for creativity in different categories and "summer treats" where kids will learn the science behind popsicles. Daily admission is $30. This camp is for ages 6 and up. For more visit the Pop Up Science and Art Facebook page.

SATURDAY 7/27

Real, Wild & Woody Beer Festival

2 – 6 p.m. at the Phoenix Convention Center, 100 N. 3rd St., Phoenix. This beer festival boasts over 75 of the Southwest's best craft breweries and 350 beers to sample. Guests will enjoy 20 tasting tickets, food pairings, live music, rock wall, game center and a souvenir glass to take home. Tickets are $60. For more: realwildandwoody.com.

Classes at DBG

5:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Desert Botanical Garden, 1201 N. Galvin Pkwy., Phoenix. Are you always on the hunt for the best landscape for your photoshoot? Look no further than the garden. Join Joanne West as she teaches the tips and tricks for the perfect snapshot and then wander around Desert Botanical Garden to shoot your best sunset photo. Don't forget your photo equipment, plus sunscreen and water as the class is outside. Admission is $63. For more: dbg.org.

IMomSoHard

7 or 10 p.m. at Talking Stick Resort, 9800 E. Talking Stick Way, Scottsdale. This dynamic mom duo has their own web series of the same name – now you can see them in person. Kristin Hensley and Jen Smedley will talk about all things motherhood. Even if you're not a mom, this show will have you laughing about all the stuff you know your mom had to put up with when you were a kid. Tickets are $30-$70. For more: imomsohard.com.

SUNDAY 7/28

Opera and Gelato

2 p.m. at the Arizona Opera, 636 N. Central Ave., Phoenix. Escape the summer heat and enjoy a family-focused opera called *The Little Prince*. This opera tells the classic story of an encounter between a pilot and a prince who are both stranded in the Sahara Desert. Enjoy a cup of gelato from Frost and other refreshments for purchase. Admission is free with registration. For more: azopera.org.



IMomSoHard *at Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale.*

MONDAY 7/29 – FRIDAY 8/2

Summer Camp: Dinosaur Discovery

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Children's Museum of Phoenix, 215 N. 7th St., Phoenix. Campers beware, there are dinosaurs roaming the halls of the Children's Museum. Kids will learn how paleontologists work, study dinosaur tracks, discover dinosaur eggs, learn how to replicate fossils and even travel around a volcano or two. Classes are $280 per person for non-members and $235 for members. For more: childrensmuseumofphoenix.org.

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Local Dentist Helps Uninsured Adults

Dr. Sophon Heng D.D.S. caters to those people who don't have dental insurance. Dr. Heng provides comprehensive dental care exclusively to uninsured adults in a modern, yet modest office in Phoenix. Dr. Heng grew up in Seattle and graduated in 2001 from the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry in San Francisco, and he relocated to Phoenix after graduation.

"After watching the dental profession change," said Dr. Heng, "I felt it had to be done a different way: 'A Non-insured Way.' We use the latest technology and treatment, yet we keep our facility modest and control our business overhead, which allows us to offer lower fees to serve the people in the community."

For example, Dr Heng's office charges $599 for a lifelike crown made with latest materials and technology. His crowns are guaranteed for life against breakage or defects. There is never a charge for a so-called crown build up. Other dental offices could customarily run from $800 to $1200 or more for a similar crown in this area. Also, other general procedures in Dr. Heng's office run 30-60% less than those typically charged. For example, $599 for a root canal, $499 for immediate denture (each), cleaning starts at $30.

Patients often remark they find Dr. Heng's office a breath of fresh air in an age where profit and greed driven corporations and "banksters" are invading every aspect of our lives, including our health care. "We have had a great response from all of our patients and we have met so many wonderful and appreciative people." said office manager Channa. "We treat all of our patients like we would our own family."



"We explain to our patients that we don't cut corners on care, treatment or materials," said Karen, dental assistant. "We pride ourselves in treating people not just their teeth. We love dentistry and feel great about providing excellent care. We are driven by our desire to help others."

Many of Dr. Heng's patients are young adults and seniors who have no dental insurance or have only a limited policy that gives them a few benefits and then charges more for their other needs. There is never a charge for an exam and x-ray, consultation and second opinions. Dr Heng offers no gimmicks, just modern quality dentistry at an affordable cost.



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In July, Fired Pie is turning 6. In honor of its anniversary, all 19 Valley locations will be celebrating with discounts for guests. On Monday, July 15, any entree or pizza will be just $6 all day. Fired Pie is open for lunch and dinner and offers not just pizza, but mac and cheese, salads and dessert, too. For more: firedpie.com.

PERFORMING ARTS SUMMER CAMP

Up with People Junior, a camp for kids ages 8–12, will offer a summer session during the month of July. From July 15–19, kids can learn songs and dances from around the world, participate in activities and learn about different cultures. "We have the opportunity to teach children to appreciate other cultures, to be leaders who can impact change and to have empathy for all people," said Site Director Paula Duncan. The camp will run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Black Theatre Troupe, 1333 E. Washington St., Phoenix. For more: upwithpeoplejr.org.



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Sara Silver

By Ray Artigue

Sara Silver is one of those people that might have you believing that starting a business from scratch is as easy as getting your business cards printed.

That's exactly what she did in 1988, with a combination of curiosity, confidence and unbridled determination.

"Honestly, I never imagined having even one employee when I started my business as the whole thing began as an accident," Silver admits.

> "You can't plan everything out in life so be open to opportunities."

Today the "accident" – or Silverware Inc. – employs 35 people in Arizona and Washington State and the rapidly-expanding software company expects to generate $8 million in revenue this year.

Timing, as they say, is everything and that certainly figured in getting things rolling.

Silver started her firm when companies were purchasing their first desktop computers but didn't really know what to do with them.

"I too was learning on the job, but learning more quickly than my older colleagues," she says with a grin. "Today it is still about training up people so they can be comfortable with our software."

Silverware serves hundreds of companies in multiple industries by providing resource planning and management software systems.

Sara attended Northwestern University in Illinois, earning a degree in math and economics. She met her husband, Bob, while working in downtown Chicago and confesses that the romance was originally about getting out of the cold. "Truth be told, he was my ticket to warmer weather."

They moved to the Valley, where Bob grew up, and have never looked back. They have two sons, Adam and Jeffrey, both of whom have headed east to launch their careers. The Silvers still live in what may be one of Arcadia's most alluring homes as it is where Steven Spielberg grew up.

"We just love Arcadia and that's why we choose to live and work here," Sara said. "We have no plans to ever leave."

When not working, her favorite indulgence is none other than Bruce Springsteen. "I've seen 'The Boss' more than a hundred times and have traveled all over the world to hear him perform."

Another bucket list ambition? Just hiking the Milford Track in New Zealand, which further underscores her tolerance for risk and adventure.

Asked about her formula for business success, Sara answers quickly and with resolve. "Seize the opportunity, manage customer expectations, and most important of all, do what you say you're going to do."

She adds that the best advice she ever received came from her father who admonished, "You can't plan everything out in life so be open to opportunities as they come along."

By all appearances, Sara was a very good listener.



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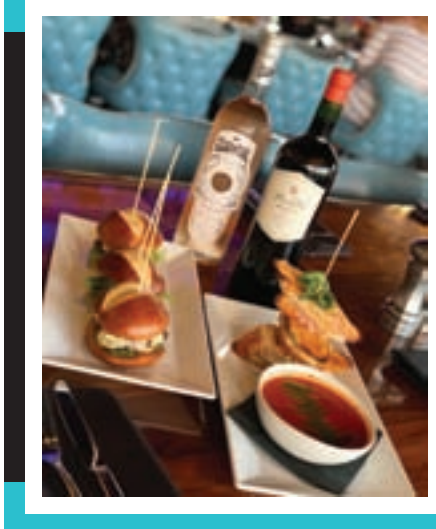
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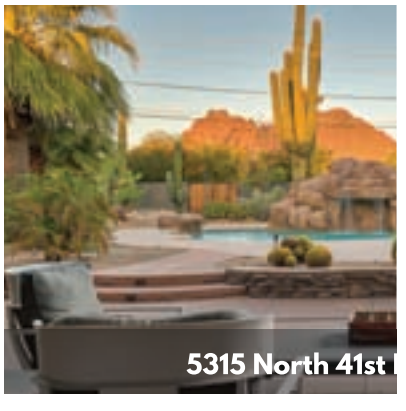


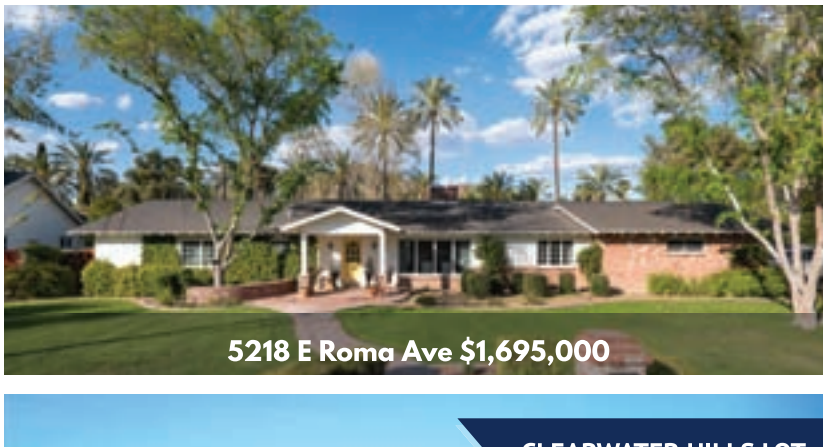


















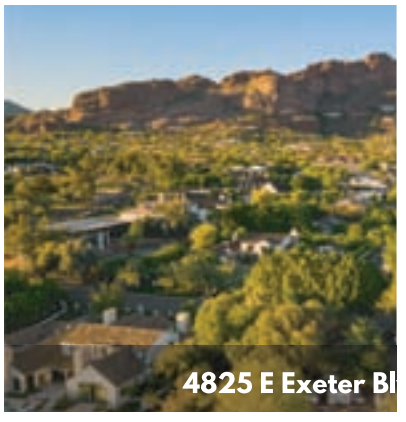






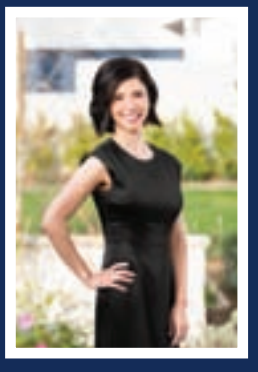
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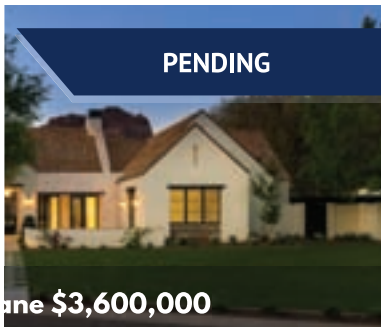
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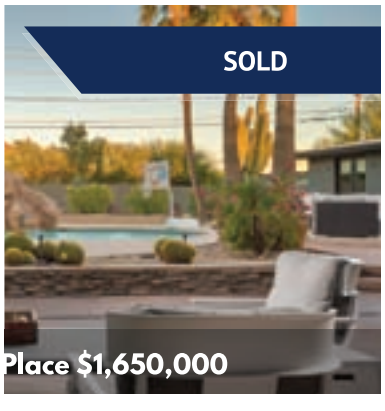
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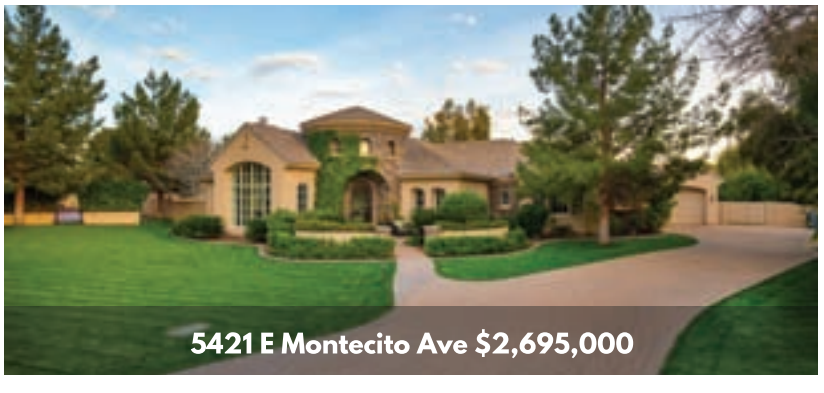


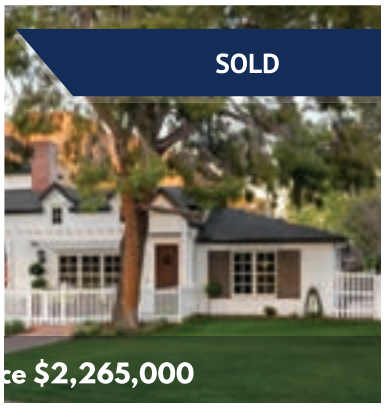






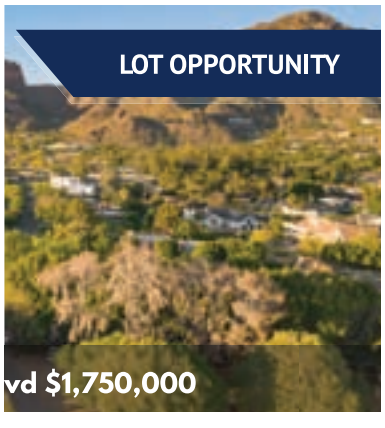
















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COLOMBIA: My journey through another part of the Americas



The author near the 1,000-year-old Lost City.

By Anthony Wallace

Upon arriving in Colombia, I quickly realized that referring to myself as "American" wasn't going to work. To the locals, the term doesn't refer to any specific country, as they consider themselves Americans just as well. Like many hailing from the United States, I had given little thought to the other America down south.

The centerpiece of the trip was an epic, rain-soaked, 40-mile jungle trek through the Sierra Nevada mountains to the 1,000-year-old *Ciudad Perdida*, or "Lost City" on the Caribbean coast.

My trip began in Medellín, a city that's changed dramatically in recent years. Today, tourism has filled the economic void left by the diminishing prevalence of drug trafficking; it's a safe place. There, I rode the metrocable, a gondola-like system that serves both as a tourist attraction and a genuine mode of public transit for the city's poor.

As the metrocable climbs the natural city walls, the homes beneath become increasingly dilapidated, inaccessible and precariously built.

In the more upscale, lower-lying parts of the city, I examined and devoured all the local food put before me. Avocados are bountiful – no extra charge for guac – and some are as large as footballs. Plantains were a revelation, and came fried, caramelized and in chip form.

Yucca root is boiled and treated like potatoes, but is much richer, like gnocchi. And the fruit from the local rainforest is sweeter, juicier and more varied than what we have in the U.S. I gorged on mangos, pineapples, papayas and guavas. *Arepas*, a kind of thick corn tortilla baked with cheese, were served with every meal and were stuffed with goodies by street vendors. The cuisine was simple, healthy and delicious. But the Colombian consumable that left the strongest impression on me was its most lucrative export: coffee.



Coffea Arabica *plant fruit.*

The humidity, temperature, elevation and steep shady slopes of Colombia's countryside create the perfect conditions for the *Coffea Arabica* plant. I toured an artisan coffee plantation just outside Medellín where I learned of the amount of labor poured into every bean produced.

Each fruit is picked by hand, only when ripe, stripped of its outer membrane, individually separated into groups of varying quality and set out to dry for weeks in the sun. At their neighboring roastery, coffee experts in lab coats sort through every single bean twice, once before and once after roasting. There, we were treated to a tasting, exploring the different flavor



Traditional meal in Bogotá.



Locals in Medellín with their pup.

notes of various beans and brewing methods. The cup of coffee my group shared at the plantation was the best I've had in my life. The coffee alone is worth a return trip.

In the capital city of Bogotá, resting 8,000 feet above sea level and surrounded by mountains, I was moved to tears by a children's choir at a Spanish-built basilica, saw a collection of ancient gold artifacts at the Museo del Oro and was perplexed by a traditional drink that involves dipping soft cheese into a cup of hot chocolate.

From there, I set off for the Caribbean coastal city of Santa Marta from which I would embark on a four-day, 40-mile backpacking trek to *Ciudad Perdida*, The "Lost City."

This 1,000-year-old city is buried so deep in the thick jungle that it was only first discovered by non-native people 40 years ago. The wilderness area on which it lies is owned by the indigenous Tayrona people, the original inhabitants of The Lost City.

The path there is filled with otherworldly vegetation and wildlife. On breaks from the hike, you can see toucans, cliff jump off waterfalls and eat raw cocoa beans. When the time finally came, we scaled over 1,000 ancient steps to reach the breathtaking, terraced city, reminiscent of Machu Picchu minus the Disneyland-like crowds. It felt straight out of *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*.

The trail was long and occasionally steep, and the weather was at times brutally humid and rainy. The hike wasn't easy, but doable. It was one of the greatest experiences of my life.

Above the views, food and history, the most memorable thing about the trip was the people.



An indigenous village.

There was the former Israeli naval commander, Daniel, traveling the world to clear his mind from PTSD. My new German friend Isabel, who managed diabetes in the wilderness, taught me about resilience in the face of chronic health issues. My many Uber drivers, food vendors and hotel concierges in the cities told me through simplified Spanish of their families, dreams and day-to-day struggles. Through them, I learned about real life in a beautiful, bustling country recovering from years of oppression.

My trek leader, Mervin, one of more than 1.5 million native Venezuelans taking refuge in Colombia, told me of the tragic effects of hyperinflation, shrinking wages and rolling blackouts in his native country.

He showed me the secret compartment in his shorts his Mom sewed for him that he would use to smuggle American cash back to his family. We formed such a bond that when we returned to Santa Marta after our trek, we spent the whole next day together on the town and at the beach. Despite our radically different life circumstances, at our core, we were the same.

My flight home left that evening, but Merv desperately wanted me to try Venezuelan-style *arepas*, which he claimed to be superior to their Colombian

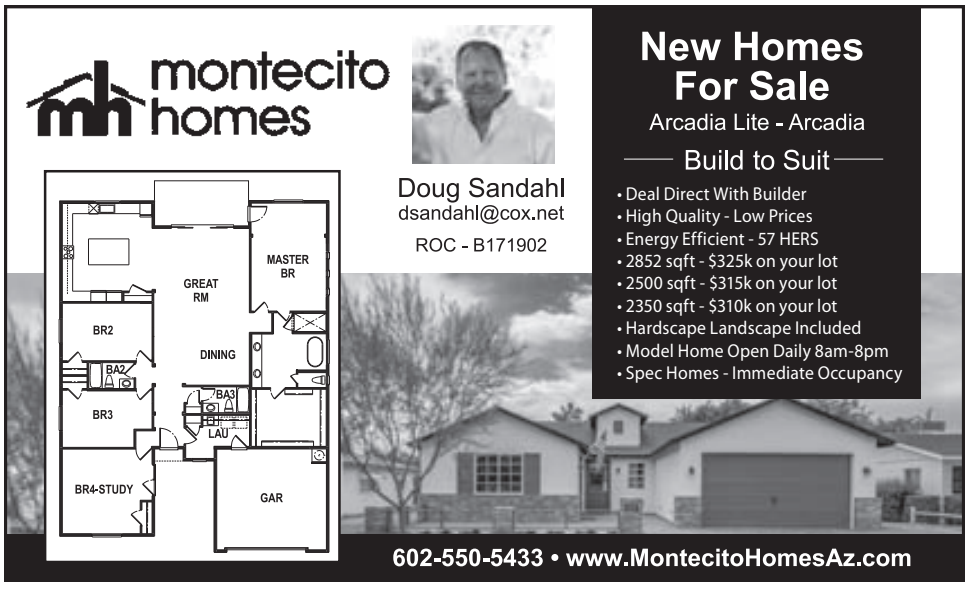


Refugees sleeping in Medellín.

counterparts. Short on time, Merv raced to his apartment and spent over an hour making the dough and filling from scratch. When they were done, he caught a cab to the airport and met me just outside security with the home-cooked *arepas* wrapped up for my long journey home.

Moments like that, along with the rich culture, interesting people and the incredible food left a truly indelible impression.

And Merv was right: his *arepas* were superior in every way.



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Recently, more than 100 community newspapers from around the country gathered together in Las Vegas for the annual Association of Free Community Publications (AFCP) industry conference and "Best of the Best" Awards Show.

The *Arcadia News* came home with a whopping 23 awards, including First Place in General Excellence, which is the top honor a community publication can receive. The *Arcadia News* has won, placed or showed in the General Excellence category in nine out of the last ten years.

Since the paper received its first recognition in 2009, *Arcadia News* has won more than 160 awards from industry organizations such as the Arizona Press Club, Independent Free Papers of America and AFCP. Some of the categories that the paper repeatedly excels in include: Best Front Page, Best Original Writing, Best Photography and Best Layout/Design.

Below are a few of the honors your community paper received:

2019 AFCP "BEST OF THE BEST" AWARDS

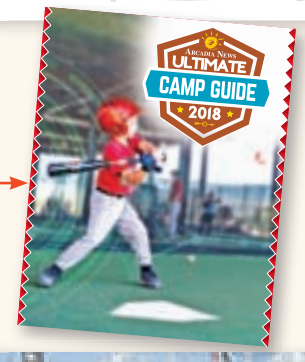


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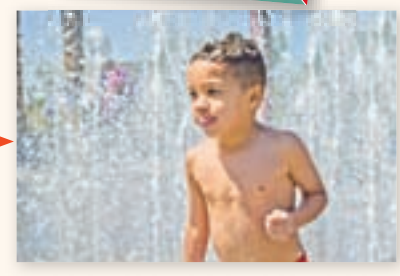
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THIRD PLACE:

Feature article layout – Football Preview

HONORABLE MENTION:

Rate card/Media kit

NEWS BRIEFS



BRING US THE HASH

We had to wait a few more months, but Hash Kitchen breakfast/bar finally opened in early June. This is the fourth location for the modern eatery, which is located in the Arcadia Gateway Center at 44th St. and Indian School Road. Hash serves all the breakfast favorites plus its own twist on classics like eggs benedict, as well as specialty breakfast drinks. For more: hashkitchen.com.

AHS SOCCER CAMP

Students from 4th to 12th grade are invited to join Arcadia High School's 2019 Soccer Camp. Dates are July 8 – 11 from 7-9 p.m. Attendees will be training with Adam Zweiback and Keith Diamanti, AHS' varsity soccer coaches and will improve soccer skills such as ball control, running and dribbling. Make sure to bring cleats, guards, a water bottle and a ball. The cost for four days is $60 per person. To register: touchbase.susd.org or azweiback@gmail.com.

GIMME SUGAR

You've heard of wax, now get ready for a unique hair removal solution. Sugar Sugar opened its second location in Arcadia on 28th St. and Indian School in April of this year. The company specializes in organic and vegan beauty, with a focus on sugar hair removal, spray tans, lashes and skincare. Rather than using wax, this company uses a combo of sugar, lemon and water to successfully remove hair from all over. For more: mysugarsugar.com.

WELLNESS BOUTIQUE

At 16th St. and Bethany Home is a new wellness boutique that focuses on the use of CBD oil for health and beauty. Owner Cathleen Mitchell opened Kaya Hemp Co. early this year with the motto: "Conscious Goods for Conscious People," which is seen through an array of CBD topicals, tinctures/oils and CBD-infused skincare products. "Part of our mission is to educate people about the healing properties of CBD and to empower our clients to live healthier lives," Mitchell said. For more: kayahempco.com.

RECOVERY AND REJUVENATION STUDY

Arizona State University researchers are recruiting breast cancer survivors for an 8-week series of classes that start in Scottsdale on Wednesday mornings through August 28 at Gardens of Scottsdale, 6001 E. Thomas Road. Three different classes will be offered. Participants will learn gentle movement techniques during one session and engage in educational support in the other session. Participants who complete the study will receive $70 in gift cards. For more: 602-496-2329 or RnR@asu.edu.





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Proof our flag was still there: A look at flag etiquette

By Rhys Lee

As one of the most recognizable across the country and the world, the American flag provides hope and boosts morale for many. With the Fourth of July approaching, here are some facts about flags and the proper etiquette surrounding them.



Proper display

A flag should be displayed only from sunrise to sunset unless it is properly lit during the night. It should not be displayed in inclement weather unless it is an all-weather flag. When the flag is displayed, the stars should always be presented in the upper left corner whether the flag is displayed horizontally or vertically.

If the flag is displayed with those from other countries, it should be placed on the flag's own right compared to the other flags. The U.S. flag (and any other country's flag) should be on its own pole. If two countries' flags are displayed on the same pole, it is seen as an act of aggression. When displayed with flags of the states or other societies, the U.S. flag should be hoisted higher, while also placed at the center.

The flag is to be flown at half-mast only for certain holidays, for the loss of principal figures as determined by the President, or in the event of great tragedy as determined by the President. When hoisting the flag to half-mast, it should be hoisted all the way to the top for an instant and then lowered to half-mast. Right before the end of the day, the flag should be hoisted back to the top of the pole before being taken down. For Memorial Day, flags should be flown at half-mast only until noon.

Proper care and discharge

A flag can be washed or dry-cleaned if it is dirty. While it is not supposed to touch the ground, the flag does not need to be destroyed if it does. According to the U.S. Flag Code, a flag can be used until "it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display."

Sometimes a flag can be repaired. Larger flags are typically less expensive to repair than their smaller counterparts.

When a flag has served its use and is ready to be decommissioned, it must be disposed of in a dignified manner. The common method to achieve this is burning.

Local Boy Scout Troop 6 holds a flag retirement ceremony every November and people can drop off their flags for disposal. For more information, contact Troop 6 Scoutmaster Steve Radonich at 602-717-3006 or steve@scoutwm.com.



Historical flags

The Arizona Capitol Museum has two historical flags on display. One was salvaged from the USS Arizona and the other is from the Rough Riders, which has been on display for more than a century.

The Arizona Capitol Museum also has an exhibit of the Arizona flag made out of Legos (above). It is seven feet long and is composed of 114,006 Legos – one for each square mile in Arizona. The creators used trigonometry equations to create the "waves" in the flag. The museum is located at 1700 W. Washington St. in downtown Phoenix. For more: azlibrary.gov/azcm.

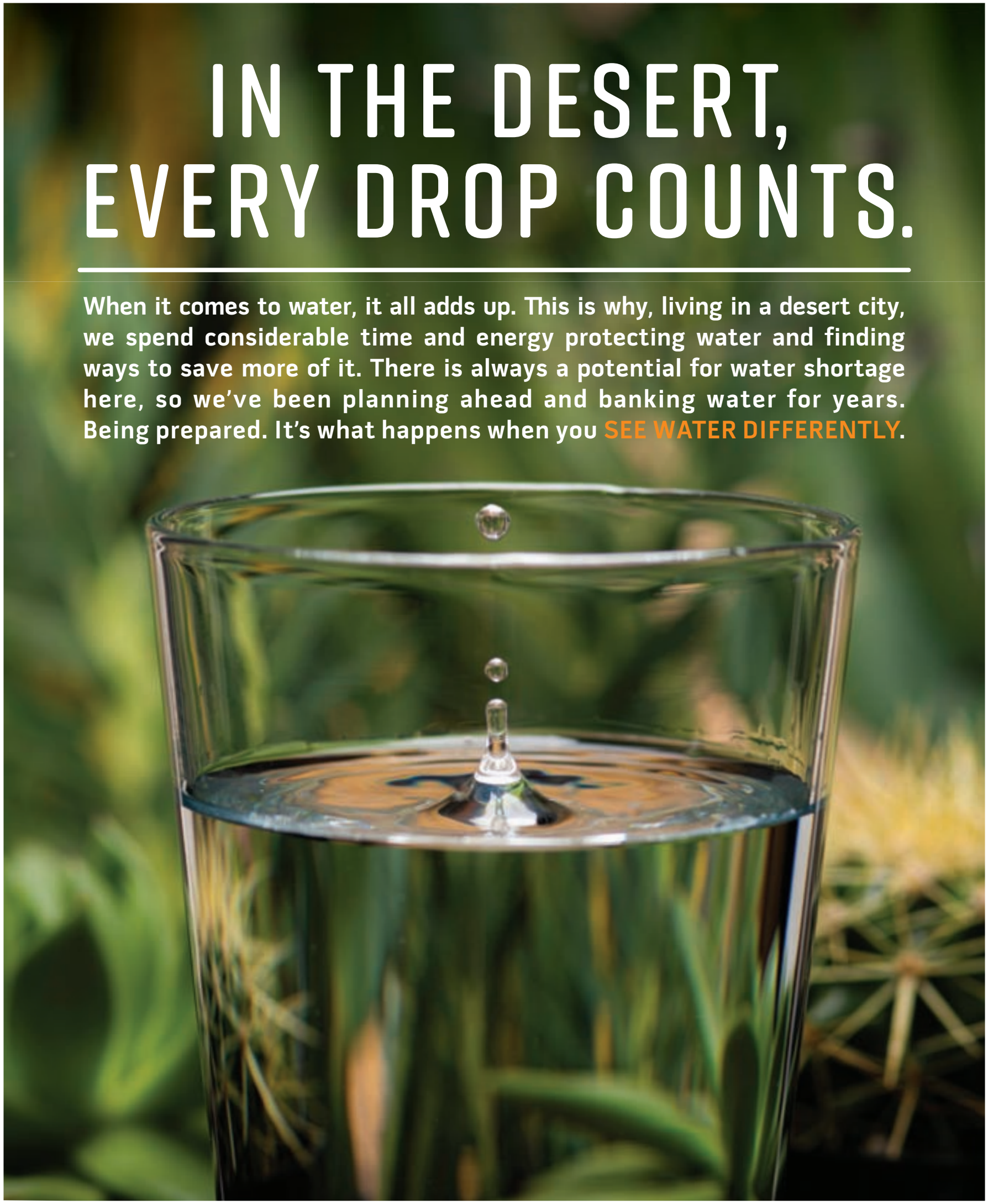
The Hall of Flame Fire Museum in Phoenix has a flag with the name of every person who died on 9/11 stitched in it. The flag is displayed in its National Firefighting Hall of Heroes, which contains pictures of firefighters and police officers who gave their lives as well as honoring all firefighters who have been recognized for bravery. The Hall of Flame Fire Museum is located at 6101 E. Van Buren St. in Phoenix. For more: hallofflame.org.





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WEDNESDAY 7/3

C4 Foundation Benefit Concert

6 – 10 p.m. at the Hotel Del Coronado, 1500 Orange Ave., Coronado, CA. This event is definitely worth the drive. Nate Nathan and the MacDaddy-O's Band will be putting on a concert at the Hotel Del Coronado in honor of Charles Keating IV and the C4 Foundation, which provides support and resources to active duty Navy SEALs and their families. Tickets are $150 per person. For more: c4foundation.org.

Salute from the Shores

5 – 9 p.m. at the Pleasant Harbor Marina, 40202 87th Ave., Peoria. Celebrate independence on the water at Lake Pleasant. This year's festivities will feature food trucks, free activities for kids including bounce houses and water slides and live music. Lake Pleasant's floating waterslide will also be open, and other vendors will be on-site. Grab your chairs and blankets and get ready to celebrate. Tickets are $20 per vehicle. For more: pleasantharbor.com.

THURSDAY 7/4

Hometown 4th Celebration

4 – 9 p.m. at Schnepf Farms, 24610 S. Rittenhouse Road, Queen Creek. There's nothing quite like that small town feeling during a holiday, which is just what Schnepf Farms is providing. Celebrate Independence Day with fireworks, live music, a watermelon-eating contest, a National Flag Service, artisan vendors, beer and wine garden, food trucks and lawn games. Get your patriotic on at the farm. Tickets are $20 for general admission. For more: schnepffarms.com.



Goat Therapy/Goat Yoga *at Lil' Goat Town in Queen Creek.*

SATURDAY 7/6

Goat Therapy/Goat Yoga

6 – 8 p.m. at Lil' Goat Town, 7377 S. 169th Pl., Queen Creek. You've heard about beer yoga and baby yoga, but what about goat yoga? This yoga session is all about relaxing and doing yoga poses with baby goats. Or maybe it's just about *hanging out* with baby goats. Either way, this event is focused on having fun and being surrounded by cuteness. Tickets are $20. For more: lilgoattown.com.

WEDNESDAY 7/10

Software and Game Development Workshop

9 a.m. – noon at the Edison School of Innovation, 8340 W. Northern Ave., Glendale. If your child is interested in computers and games, here is a chance to learn how it all works. Kids will learn the basic concepts of computer programming and about tools they can use to begin building their very own computer games, plus see the world of programming through a programmer's eyes. This workshop is for 2nd to 8th graders. For more, visit the Edison School of Innovation Facebook page.

THURSDAY 7/11

Amazing Arizona Kids Explore Arizona

10 a.m. – noon at the AZ Heritage Center at Papago Park, 1300 N. College Ave., Tempe. This one is just a tad out of the way, which makes it even more worth it. The Kids Explore Arizona program is free for kids ages 5 to 10 to learn about the awesomeness that is our state. This month's session is called Arizona Rocks. Kids can explore Arizona's boulders, rocks and minerals through hands-on learning activities.





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FRIDAY 7/12 – SUNDAY 7/14

Medieval Mayhem

10 a.m. – 5 (Sunday) and 7 p.m. at Mountain Meadows Recreation Complex, 1101 N. Woodland Road, Pinetop. If Medieval is your time period, this event is for you. Enjoy all things medieval at this festival, including period dress, food, live music and entertainment, sword fights, vendors and even a mermaid. Break out your chain mail and head to the White Mountains for this year's Medieval Mayhem. Tickets are $5-$10. For more: azmayhem.com.



Medieval Mayhem *at Mountain Meadows Recreation Complex in Pinetop.*

SUNDAY 7/14

Cider and Scribbles

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Mesa Arts Center, 1 E. Main St., Mesa. Head over to Mesa Arts for a different kind of creative event. This drawing class not only offers guided drawing classes – with a still-life set up and pencils and paper at the ready – but food and drinks, too. Grab a cider-mosa and a snack from one of the food trucks and draw to your heart's content. Here's the best part: this event is free. For more: mesaartscenter.com.

SAT. 7/20 – SUN. 7/21

Arizona Highland Celtic Festival

9 a.m. – 7 p.m. at 2446 Fort Tuthill Loop, Flagstaff. Celebrate all things Celtic at the 22nd annual Arizona Highland Celtic Festival. There will be live music and entertainment, athletic competitions such as bagpipe playing and tug of war, workshops, vendors, historical reenactments, whiskey tasting, food and activities for the kids. Tickets are $20 for adults, $5 for kids for one-day admission. For more: nachs.info.

SATURDAY 7/20

Sedona Elks Lodge Christmas in July

5:30 – 10:30 p.m. at the Sedona Elks Lodge, 110 Airport Road, Sedona. Who says you can't celebrate the holidays a few months early? Head up to Sedona for Christmas in July, presented by the Elks Lodge. There will be a cocktail hour followed by a turkey dinner, raffle and a dance with music by the Happy Days Band. You can even continue the festivities by bringing a White Elephant gift. Tickets are $25 per person. For more: sedonaelks.org.

SATURDAY 7/27

Fairytale Princess Ball

9 a.m. – 7 p.m. at Noah's Event Venue, 2100 E. Yeager Dr., Chandler. Now is your chance to meet a fairytale princess. This event will feature everyone's favorite fairytale friends, with music performances, stories, dancing, a candy buffet and magical tiaras. Other fun games and activities will be available, plus a fairytale ball where kids can dance with the princesses. Each "ball" will last two hours – grownups choose the time slot. Tickets are $25-$55. For more: prettyprincesspartiesmn.com.

Arizona Toy Con

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Dr., Glendale. This event, formerly known as ICON, is the Valley's largest collector toy and pop culture collectible event and it's back again for the 12th year. There will be 125 tables full of classic, vintage, modern, collectible and rare toys, plus action figures, comics, dolls, statues, Transformers, GI Joes, Funko Pops…pick a toy, it will be there. Enjoy a day of nostalgia at the Toy Con. Tickets are $10 per person. For more: aztoycon.com.

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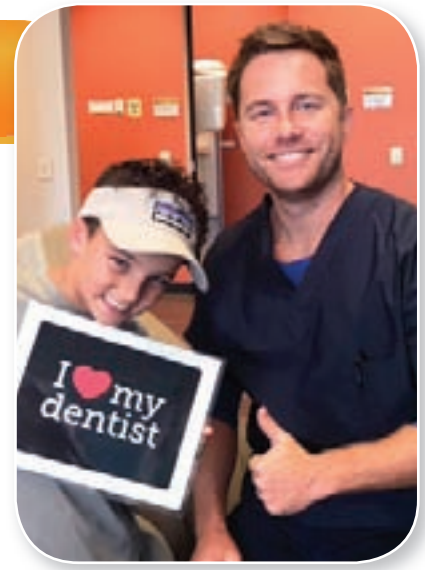
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The low-down on antiques, rugs and autographs

By Tom Helms and Jeff Pearson

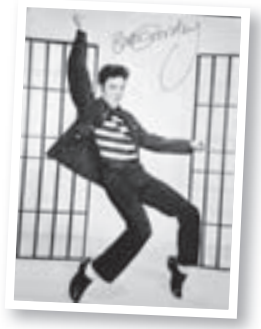
ASK THE APPRAISERS

1. Millennials and antiques just don't go together.

Parents and grandparents are planning for their mid-20-year-old sons and daughters to take family antiques, collectibles and heirlooms when they move so the items will remain in the family. However, they're finding the answer is more frequently "no."

Such a response is echoing throughout the nation as millennials drive away from their parents' home with nothing from the family. Many baby boomers have discovered that these treasures aren't valued like they once were.

Appraisers (and parents) are finding that millennials do not want to be burdened with a trove of stuff as they move from job to job and city to city. Along with some rejection and hurt feelings, these parents are also being forced to sell around the same time, which is putting downward pressure on prices.



The market nationwide has been flooded with "brown" furniture, porcelain figurines, china, crystal, silver plates and antiques that are dropping in value. Many auction houses are declining such items since the values are so minimal. Unfortunately, boomers still think there is substantial value there and are faced with a difficult lesson.

2. Not all Oriental rugs appreciate in value.

Post-WWII rugs purchased today do not appreciate in value. They're more like new cars. They decline in value due to the changes in décor, colors, design and texture of the rug; an example being the pastel Kerman rugs of the 50s and 60s.

"All old Oriental rugs are worth a great deal of money" is a myth.

However, if the condition is excellent and the artistic features are notable – such as the right color and fitting the decorative and functional plan of today's buyer – it might be worth buying. If in poor condition, the repair costs may outweigh the value.

Persian or Iranian rugs that are Pre-WWII, such as Ferahan Sarouk, Kashan and others might have a small market, but a weaker value since such styles rarely fit in with the majority of today's decor and demands. Post-1979 Persians have dropped considerably in value due to the embargo (1987-1999 and 2010) that resulted in deteriorated quality.

In fact, the market for such rugs is stagnating with low demand because of a flood of rugs from the downsizing of baby boomers. Mid-century, mass-produced, machine-made rugs that accentuate décor have replaced the elegance and fine rugs of the past.

3. Rock and roll autographs are faded memories.

Autographs make up a significant part of the industry; however, the most sought-after (and valuable) items are a highly specialized subset.

Elvis Presley, Mick Jagger, The Beatles and Elton John are the most popular. For example, Presley's signature on an album sold for around $400, a Jagger autographed air sickness bag sold for $450, a signed photograph by all four Beatles sold for over $10,000 and an autographed music, score and sections for Candle in the Wind sold for $35,000.

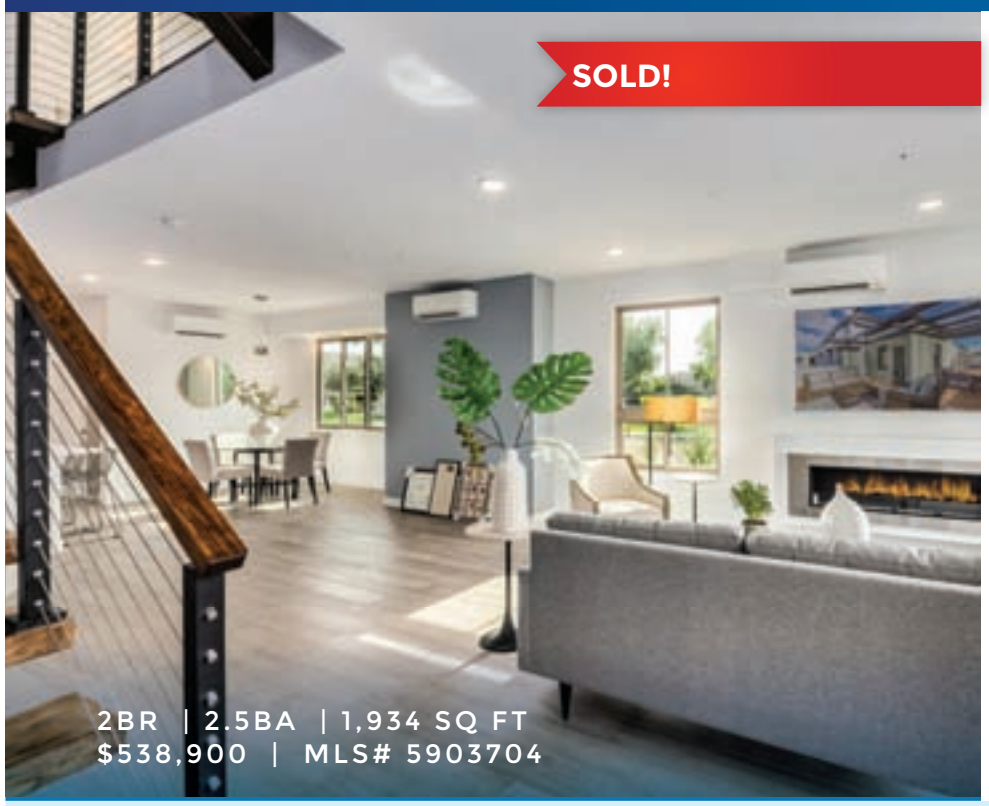
However, the lesser-known signatures that are not authenticated have nominal value: usually under $10, especially if the artist's autograph is well-known. The same applies to most stars: the less they are known and/or remembered, the less the value of the autograph.

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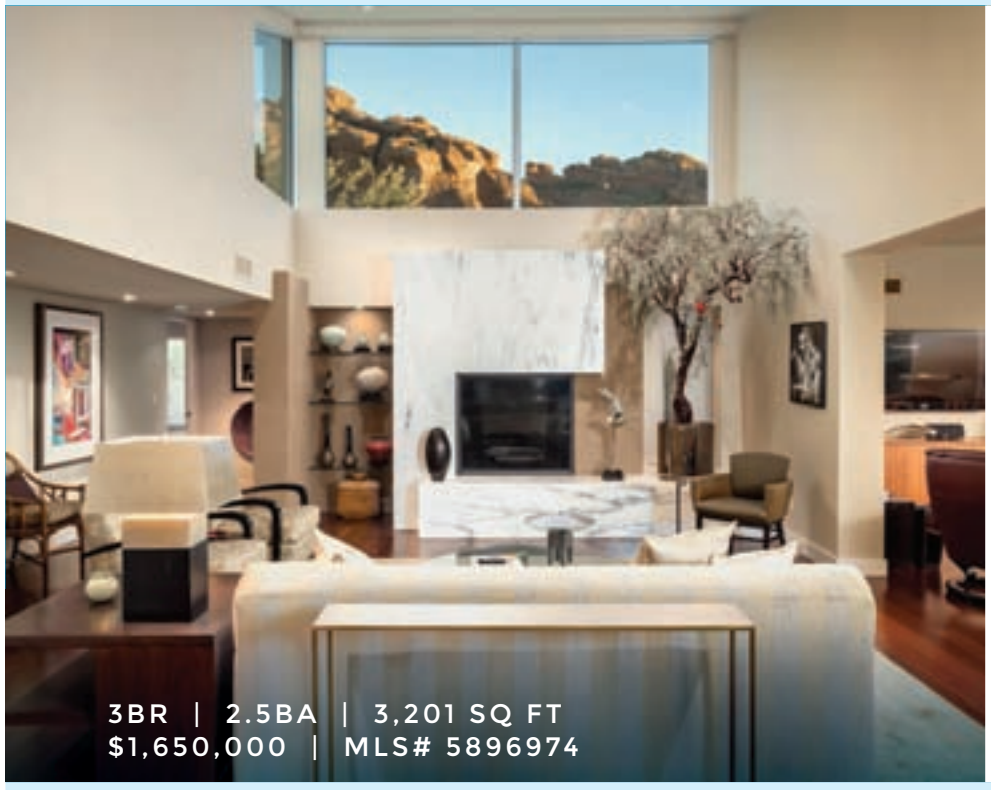
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How to answer that 'relocation' question

By Angela Copeland

CAREER *ADVICE*



When it comes to job interviews, there are certain questions that are off limits. Not only are they a faux pas, they are against the law.

One illegal question is around a person's family status. Employers are not allowed to ask a candidate if they are married. They are also not allowed to ask whether the person has children.

The reasons behind these rules are simple. There's room for unequal treatment between those with children and spouses and those without. Honestly, the judgement can go both ways. One employer may prefer someone with no children because – in theory – that person could work longer hours.

Another employer may prefer someone with children because – in theory – it indicates that the person is stable and unlikely to switch jobs quickly. Someone with a house and kids has to put food on the table, even when they're unhappy.

> *"Someone with a house and kids has to put food on the table, even when they're unhappy."*

Most people know these questions aren't allowed. But many employers ask anyway. So, how can an employer manage to ask such an obviously illegal question? Well, it's easier than you might think.

Very often, they work it into a question about relocation. The question should be, "Are you willing to relocate to our city for this opportunity?" The answer should be, "Yes, I am willing to relocate to your city." The creative version of this question is, "When it comes to relocation, what do you need to relocate? Will you be relocating with a spouse and children?"

Sneaky, right?

Phrased in this way, the question almost sounds necessary. But why? Why does it matter if someone has to relocate their children? It doesn't. Perhaps this may impact when the person is available to relocate. If this is a concern, the new question might be, "Are you available to relocate by July 15?" This answers the employer's question without stepping over the line.

Sometimes, an employer will justify this question by saying they're trying to get to know the candidate better. Maybe they are. But there's also a possibility that the answer to the question may create some level of bias against the candidate.

Preventing bias and keeping the playing field level is why this type of question is not allowed.

Whether a person has children or a spouse, the most important thing is that they show up on time and that they do their job well. People can succeed or fail at this, regardless of their family status.

If you're a hiring manager, take note, your candidates do notice when you ask illegal questions. Just because they answer them doesn't mean they aren't paying attention.

If you're a job seeker, these questions are asked more than anyone would like to admit, you are not alone. There aren't perfect answers to uncomfortable questions. Pay attention to the way you feel when you're asked. It may be an indication of what's ahead.

— Angela Copeland, a career influencer and founder of Copeland Coaching, can be reached at copelandcoaching.com.

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Valley organization takes tiny homes to national stage

By Rachael Bouley

After spending the past few years designing and deploying tiny homes for Veterans and others in need, Phoenix-based nonprofit Build Us H.O.P.E. recently got to show off its hard work during the Innovative Housing Showcase in Washington D.C.

Build Us H.O.P.E. was invited to the inaugural event hosted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at the National Mall in June. It presented its tiny homes alongside 15 other organizations doing similar work in their states.

Presenting at the event was a moment of pride for Elizabeth Singleton, president and founder of Singleton Community Services (SCS), which has housed and serviced more than 2,500 vulnerable adults and families in Arizona during the past 15 years. Build Us H.O.P.E. is the grassroots housing initiative of SCS.

"It was a real pleasure and honor to take our team there and to be able to represent tiny homes for Veterans and affordable innovative housing options," Singleton said.

The types of tiny homes Singleton and her team displayed in Washington can be seen at the V-13 Veterans' Village in Phoenix near 13th Ave. and Buckeye Road. V-13 is a collection of sustainable and affordable tiny homes – each approximately 300 square feet – designed to give homeless Veterans a place to call their own.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF ELIZABETH SINGLETON

Founder and President Elizabeth Singleton (middle) of Phoenix-based nonprofit Build Us H.O.P.E. got the idea to build tiny homes from her 12-year-old daughter.

In building V-13 and other tiny housing projects, Build Us H.O.P.E. faced planning, zoning and construction challenges, but Singleton sees the efforts as extending far beyond just building residences.

"It was a very time-consuming and costly experience, but we felt it was worth it," Singleton said. "We weren't just fighting for ourselves. We were fighting for anyone who would like to call a tiny house their home."

As an advocacy group for the homeless, disabled and mentally ill, Build Us H.O.P.E. was established as a response to a lack of adequate housing to properly shelter the Valley's homeless population.

Singleton said it was actually her 12-year-old daughter's idea to provide a different kind of accommodation for those in need.

"My daughter was like, 'Why don't we build them tiny homes?'" Singleton said.

From that simple notion, Singleton partnered with like-minded organizations including ASU GreenLight Solutions Foundation and Linderoth Associates Inc., to create Build Us H.O.P.E. And while V-13 focuses on Veterans, the group's mission extends to anyone who is trying to get back on their feet after a tough time.

Through its continuous work with planning and zoning departments at the city, county and state levels, the process of building and selling a tiny home is easier now than ever before.

"I think the state sees the value in tiny homes, as they came to me and said they're looking at these homes to put an end to the issue of homelessness and they feel that these are great models," Singleton said.

Singleton says Arizona requires at least 200,000 more affordable housing units to meet current needs.

After the success at V-13, the Build Us H.O.P.E. team is ready to construct more Veterans' villages. The group plans on building 1,000 tiny homes in the next three years.

"We want to help in the housing crisis and create affordable housing for Veterans," Singleton said. "We are so thankful to the community for their support in shedding a light on homeless Veterans."

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Congress adopted the Stars and Stripes as the American flag on June 14, 1777. The first official version of the flag displayed 13 stripes and 13 stars, representing the 13 original colonies.

HOW LARGE?

505 feet



The world's largest American flag measures 505 feet wide by 255 feet tall (each star is 17 feet tall) and weighs 3,000 pounds. It takes 500 people to unfurl the flag.

CURRENT LOOK

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The current flag, with 50 stars and 13 stripes, was designed in 1958 by 17-year-old high school student Robert G. Heft of Lancaster, Ohio. President Dwight D. Eisenhower chose Heft's design out of 1,500 entries.

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The military folds the flag with 13 folds, each with symbolic meaning.

The U.S. flag always flies at the top of a staff above any other flag.

After a national tragedy or death, the flag is flown at half staff for 30 days. It's called "half staff" on land and "half mast" on a ship.

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A Cappella Syndicate takes first place in chorus competition

By Kaylee McClaine

Recently, A Cappella Syndicate, an a cappella chorus, earned top honors as the Arizona Champion in the Barbershop Harmony Society's Chorus Competition. The competition took place at the Mesa High School Performing Arts Center.

Of the eight competing choruses, A Cappella Syndicate was one of the four Arizona-based choruses that qualified to compete in a competition in Sacramento called the Far Western District Fall Contest. The District includes choruses from Hawaii, California, Nevada, Arizona and southwest Utah's Washington County.

The three choruses that have qualified to advance with A Cappella Syndicate are The Phoenicians, East Valley Barbershop Harmonizers and Tucson Barbershop Experience.

The Far Western District is one of 17 districts in the U.S. and Canada within the Barbershop Harmony Society, and the district is subdivided into five divisions. Each of the five subdivisions hold conventions in the spring, where the quartets and choruses with enough scoring points qualify to compete in the fall. The upcoming contest will host anywhere from 1,500 to 2,000 attendees, with approximately 20 quartets and at least 12 choruses.

Eric Bjornsen, a member of the chorus A Cappella Syndicate, shared the excitement of competitive group singing:

> *"The standing ovation the quartet received at the end of our songs was icing on the cake, and a real thrill."*

"Competition makes for a long day, especially when you sing in both the quartet and chorus contests. That said, when you go on stage it's the fastest six minutes of your life," Bjornsen recalled.

In addition to A Cappella Syndicate, Bjornsen is also a member of a second singing quartet called Vocalocity that also performed and won in its respective contest.

Competitions between quartets and choruses are two separate events. Quartets consist of four singers, where choruses can have anywhere from 15 to 150 a cappella singers.

At the competition, A Cappella Syndicate sang the song *Maybe This Time* from the 1966 musical *Cabaret* and the song *Steppin' Out with My Baby* from *Easter Parade*, a 1948 musical.

"Reaching the audience is always a challenge, but it's very rewarding when you do. We always try to give them an unforgettable experience. The standing ovation the quartet received at the end of our songs was icing on the cake, and a real thrill," Bjornsen shared.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ERIC BJORNSEN

(front row) Scott Wiegand, Christopher Pomasyl, Tommy LaDuke, Mark Spriggs, Gregg Singleton, Gary Steinkamp, Mike Moyer. (back row) Marco Teti, Eric Bjornsen, Kent Pyper, James Zeigler, Ray Morrissey, James Hansen, Tim Haskins, TW Scott, Brent Graham, Steve Winkelman.

The group practiced for the competition by preparing songs and developing choreography plans.

"Locking and ringing chords is a bit addicting. Both groups are focused on delivering a great sound in an entertaining package. There's a camaraderie and fellowship that we enjoy as we strive for that common goal," Bjornsen said.

Bjornsen was part of the founding group for A Cappella Syndicate when it began in 2015. The chorus was created when several members wanted to form a high-quality singing ensemble. The chorus started with 11 or 12 guys, which soon grew to about 20.

"We sing a variety of a cappella music, including Barbershop, which is a uniquely American art form. Barbershop harmony consists of four parts [four-part harmony], but as mentioned, we sing other types of music which have fewer, or more parts," Bjornsen shared.

A Cappella Syndicate performs for local art and community groups, businesses and charities when not performing in contests. The group also produces its own holiday and spring shows each year.

The chorus's next big adventure is producing an a cappella festival in Phoenix called A Cappella Del Sol to be held in February 2020. The festival will host an a cappella competition for groups around the Southwest and the winning group will perform an evening showcase.









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Here are six drink recipes to keep you and the whole family cool when the temperatures rise.



Raspberry Peach Iced Tea

- 2 tea bags
- 1 cup raspberries, plus more for garnish
- 2 peaches, sliced, plus more for garnish
- 3 tablespoons agave nectar, or more to taste
- Mint leaves, for garnish

Steep tea bags in four cups boiling water according to package instructions; discard tea bags and let cool.

Combine peaches, raspberries and agave nectar in blender until smooth; strain through cheesecloth or fine sieve.

In a large pitcher, whisk together raspberry peach mixture and brewed tea. Place in refrigerator until chilled.

Serve over ice, raspberries, peach slices and mint leaves, if desired.



Strawberry "Colada" Smoothie

- 8 ounces of chilled strawberries, hulled
- 1 ripe banana, peeled and frozen
- 1 1/2 cups frozen pineapple
- 1 5-ounce container coconut Greek yogurt
- 1 1/4 - 1 1/2 cups unsweetened coconut milk

Pulse strawberries in a food processor until well pureed.

To a blender add banana, pineapple, coconut Greek yogurt and 1 1/4 cups coconut milk. Pulse until well blended, adding an additional 1/4 cup coconut milk as needed.

Spoon pineapple mixture into glasses filling about 1/3 full then add a spoonful or two of the strawberry mixture, swirl lightly with a butter knife then repeat twice more. Serve immediately.

Alternately, all ingredients can be blended together in a blender versus processing strawberries separately.



Ginger – Peach Soda

- 1 cup water
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh ginger
- 2 very ripe peaches
- 2-liter seltzer
- 16 fresh mint leaves

In a medium saucepan over medium-low heat, bring one cup water, sugar and ginger to a gentle simmer, stirring to dissolve sugar. Remove simple syrup from heat, cover and steep for about 30 minutes.

Over a medium bowl, pour syrup through a fine-mesh sieve, pressing minced ginger against sieve with the back of a spoon to extract flavor. Discard ginger. Cover bowl with plastic wrap; refrigerate until well-chilled.

Distribute peach slices among eight tall glasses. For each glass, lightly press peaches with the back of a wooden spoon to release their juice. Pour about two tablespoons chilled syrup over peaches. Add ice cubes; top with seltzer. Stir to distribute syrup, peach juice and seltzer evenly. Garnish with mint.



Pineapple Lemonade

- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 cup lemon juice
- 1 cup pineapple juice
- 2 tablespoons lime juice

To make the simple syrup, combine sugar and one cup water in a medium saucepan over medium heat, stirring until the sugar has dissolved; let cool.

In a large pitcher, whisk together simple syrup, lemon juice, pineapple juice, lime juice and five cups of water. Place in the refrigerator until chilled.

Serve over ice.



Sparkling Cherry Lemonade

- 2 ounces cherries, pitted
- 3/4 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 4 cups sparkling water

To make the cherry syrup, combine cherries, lemon juice and sugar in blender until smooth. Place in the refrigerator until chilled.

Serve over ice and sparkling water.



Watermelon Slush

- 5 cups diced seedless watermelon
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- Juice of 1 lime, optional

Combine watermelon, sugar, lime juice and one cup of ice in blender until smooth.

Serve immediately.





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A crowning experience for patrons of The Lavatory is the moment when 100,000 plastic balls rain down from above, engulfing visitors seated in a pit.

The Lavatory offers a grown up museum experience

By Anthony Wallace

Nobody really knows exactly what to expect when they go to The Lavatory's museum and ball pit. No Instagram post or Yelp review can prepare one for the reality of the place. The Lavatory, which opened November 2018 with the 'cleanest ball pit on the planet', has recently expanded to include six immersive exhibition rooms and is the latest Valley offering in the area of interactive, experience-based art spaces.

The Lavatory is the brainchild of local landscape architect and artist, Bill Tonnesen.

Before patrons step into the building, Tonnesen, last seen sporting a cockroach bowtie, shakes the hand of each and greets them all individually with a witty, personalized comment.

Once inside, the group is led into the pit, where Tonnesen delivers a speech that is equal parts amusing and disturbing. Looking around, it was clear I wasn't the only one in the group considering whether we had unwittingly joined a cult.

Suspense builds and finally the 'Mega-Drop' arrives. More than 100,000 sanitized, tennis-sized plastic balls come raining down, engulfing everyone brave enough to remain seated throughout the process.

"You'll be buried alive, but you can breathe," Tonnesen said.

Once they drop, the transparent balls light up with evolving neon colors and the pit bumps with club/dance music. Attendees were prancing around and posting pictures.

The museum portion of The Lavatory has less mainstream appeal. The series of meticulously-designed rooms features jumpy surprises, lots of toilets, sculptures adorned in endless detail and live humans and animals.

There seems to be social commentary offered in some of them. The most ironic of all is on display in the all-white Sugar Room, where "lifeless" parents ignore their child in favor of screens.

"When people talk about [experiential art spaces] in a pejorative sense, they call them Instagram factories," Tonnesen said.

Tonnesen is a talented and enthusiastic photographer, constantly scanning his patrons for potential models.

I traveled through the exhibition rooms with Tonnesen and two college-aged patrons, Molly Ryerse and Tyler Brooks. Going in, Brooks and Ryerse knew only of the ball pit and Instagram pictures, but found the museum and the artist himself to be just as enjoyable.

"I admire it so much because you can tell it's all done by Tonnesen. His personality is everywhere," Ryerse said.

Tonnesen bristled a bit at the question of his favorite artists.

"I think it's very helpful to not think in terms of favorites or 'like.' A shrewder approach is not to say 'Do I like that?' but rather, 'What's going on?' and 'What's interesting?'" Tonnesen said.

Patrons might visit The Lavatory for a multitude of reasons – whether it be the Infinity Room, Mona Lisa Gallery, Rest Room or Sugar Room. It's possible you might come out feeling like a completely different person, which is exactly what Tonnesen is going for.

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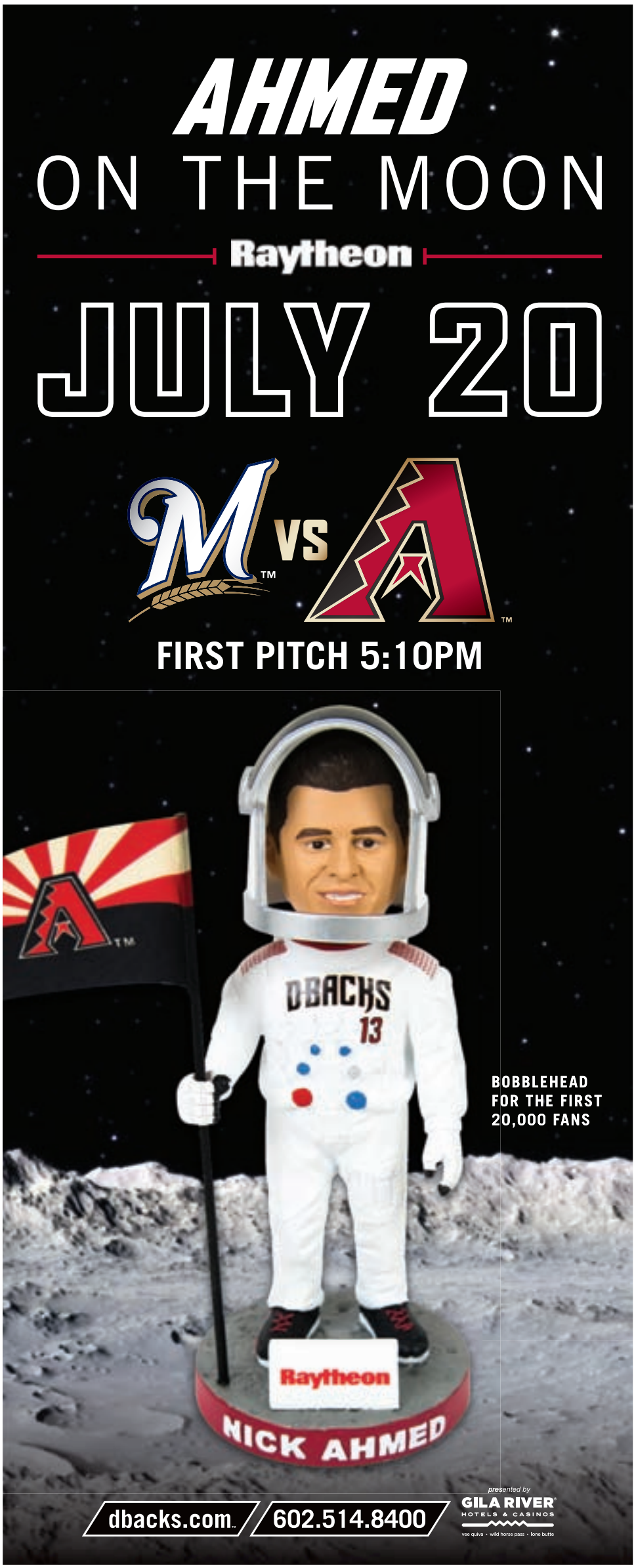
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Arcadia High student hosts charity basketball tournament

By Cody Kennedy

Ella Zeff has been playing basketball since she was a kid. It's made such an impact on her life that in her junior year of high school, Ella took the game one step further by hosting her first Arizona Hoops for Peace Basketball Tournament.

PeacePlayers International (PPI) is a nonprofit that uses the game of basketball to unite and educate young men and women and their communities all over the world, in places such as the Middle East, Cyprus, Northern Ireland, the United States and South Africa.

"I first found out about PPI five years ago. Ever since then I have wanted to help promote them and their vision. They believe that children who play together can learn how to live together," Ella said. "I named this tournament Hoops for Peace since my local community played basketball to help create peace in areas of need."

This isn't the first tournament Ella has held for PPI. She did so once before when she lived in California.

"It was a very good start and gave me the inspiration to run this tournament again in Arizona. I love to see sports bring people together, so I felt this would be a great opportunity to do so in my community," Ella said.

The tournament took place in late April. There were two divisions: middle school (grades 6-8) and high school (grades 9-12), and anybody in those divisions was invited to play; the community was also invited to come out and provide support.



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Ten middle school and eight high school teams played a total of 45 games during the Arizona Hoops for Peace Basketball Tournament, which was hosted by AHS student Ella Zeff (left).

> *"I named this tournament Hoops for Peace since my local community played basketball to help create peace in areas of need."*

Ten middle school and eight high school teams were formed to play a total of 45 games. Each team had a four-game guarantee and the top four teams in each division moved on to the playoffs. The first 36 games were played round robin style with the playoffs being the elimination round.

In addition to the 3-on-3 games, there was a 3-point competition, with 30 players trying their best to make 10 shots from five different spots. This was Ella's favorite part of the tournament.

There were prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each division for both the 3-on-3 tournament and the 3-point competition, including sessions to train with local trainer Larry Arnold and a week of basketball camp with Arizona Athletics Basketball and gift cards to local businesses.

Ella said that the most time-consuming part of setting up a tournament is spreading word around the community. Once the appropriate date and time was available, plus securing Arcadia High's gym to play in, Ella had to contact sponsors and make sure teams were committed to playing. Ella was able to set up the entire tournament in six weeks.

"We are very proud of her. She did the entire event herself while we provided support and encouragement when things didn't go as planned. It's a huge accomplishment and has become part of her identity," Ella's mom, Nicole, said. "Watching your child take control and fill a gym full of people having fun is surreal."

Ella's sponsors for the tournament included Trader Joe's, The Ice Den, Mod Pizza, Einstein's, Bodi Scottsdale, Larry Arnold, Arizona Athletics Basketball and the Arizona Coyotes.

Each player received a "swag bag" with a Hint water, Trader Joe's cereal bar, PeacePlayers wristband, Sports Cuts coupon, Ice Den coupon, Nothing Bundt Cakes coupon, and a Coyotes water bottle in a Lululemon bag.

"The best part is seeing her feeling of accomplishment for another cause and how she can create something from nothing and make an impact. You can see how it empowers and impacts a young person and how it makes her want to do more," Nicole said.

Ella raised $1,085 for PeacePlayers International and plans to continue holding tournaments for PPI. She would like to major in sports management or athletic training in college and work for a professional sports team or an organization similar to PPI.

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By Cody Kennedy

My first thought upon walking into The Porch, Arcadia's own gastropub situated near the corner of 40th St. and Indian School Road, was "There are games here!"

The Porch has become a local favorite for late-nighters, weekenders and weekday lunch crews. What used to be known as the Shanghai Chinese restaurant has now become a modern, yet vintage-style pub.



As my colleagues and I sat down for lunch, my eyes immediately found the pinball machine, Skee-Ball and basketball hoop in the corner. I also noticed the Connect-Four and giant Jenga game outside on the patio – along with an enormous Adirondack chair fit for a giant.

The interior reminded me of a 1970s living room: multicolored bulbs, bright yellow booths and eclectic tile on the ceiling and in the bar area. The patio has plenty of seating – two of the tables had swinging benches for chairs, which is where I would've been had it not been scorching outside at 11 a.m.

If you're looking for classic "bar-food" appetizers, The Porch has all the chicken wings, nachos and fried pickles to keep you satisfied until football season is back on TV. My crew decided on the salted pretzel with fondue. I think we were all wishing we had been at a baseball game after our first bite – chewy, just enough salt so that our taste buds didn't burn off and a rich, creamy beer cheese for dipping.

Our server stated the most popular dish was the grilled cheese with short rib. She said it's "the unicorn of the menu," which we took to mean magical and something you don't see every day – and we were right.

With smoky cheddar and American cheese, zesty house-made barbecue sauce and crisp dill pickles, each crunch of the toast mixed with the melty cheese was…bewitching. We ordered two because no one wanted to share. For the sides: parmesan truffle and thinly-sliced, lightly-peppered crinkle cut sweet potato fries. The table favored the sweet potato fries as we all thought the full-punch flavor of parmesan and truffle sauce was in need of a "tell me when" scenario.

We ordered blackened shrimp tacos, heaped with cabbage, pickled red onion (which gave it a subtle kick), radish and cilantro queso fresca. I might be biased because I love seafood, but the smoky shrimp was the best part – it felt like the cabbage and onion slaw was trying to steal the show.

I was relieved when my table ordered the Porch Protein Plate – I have a problem when it comes to ordering the healthy stuff in that… I don't order it. Grilled chicken, couscous, avocado, tomatoes and asparagus with a Greek yogurt sauce – I was surprised that the tenderness of the couscous, the crunch of the veggies and the creaminess of the sauce came together so well that I actually didn't mind trying it. Plus, there's always dessert, which came in the form of an apple pie dip.



Served in a cast-iron dish, the deconstructed apple pie is diced into bite-size pieces and then covered with a massive scoop of vanilla ice cream and served with cinnamon dusted pie crust chips on the side.

The Porch also offers salads, burgers, brunch and a kid's menu, plus happy hour food and cocktail specials from 3 – 6:15 p.m. Monday – Friday.

They also have a huge nighttime following, especially when the weather calls for more hanging out on The Porch!



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KofC Chapter Officer Bob Hawthorne (not pictured), Grand Knight Phil Maschue and State Deputy Tom Kalisz presented Olivia with the International Champion trophy.

Soccer star Olivia Yu earns international award

By Rachael Bouley

Sixth grader Olivia Yu from St. Thomas the Apostle School shined on the soccer field in the annual Knights of Columbus International Soccer Challenge, earning herself an impressive accolade.

Olivia was presented with the International Champion trophy in May after earning the honor with the highest score in her gender and age group for the overall competition. She's one of only 13 winners around the world, and the only one from the Western U.S., making this a huge accomplishment for the soccer player.

The event, hosted locally by the Knights of Columbus (KofC) Council 9287, is designed to showcase proficiency in penalty kicks specifically. It serves as an athletic outlet for kids aged 9-14 and is aimed at encouraging values like sportsmanship and healthy competition.

Since 2005, KofC communities across the country and overseas have been coming together to engage with kids and provide them the chance to enjoy a sports competition.

10-year-old Olivia, who started playing soccer at age two, was one of three competitors who advanced to the final state level competition, where they each won a gold medal.

Olivia proved to be in total control of her penalty kicks, going after the highest corner each time to earn the most points in a display of athleticism and skill. With 17,000 KofC chapters taking part in the challenge around the globe, there was plenty of competition.

"I had a lot of fun but I was super nervous," Olivia said. "I was really proud of myself for doing so well and I did not think I would get that far."

With the support of her family and the local KofC chapter, Olivia was able to accomplish something few others her age have ever done.

"My mom gave me the letter and I read it in the car," Olivia said. "I was super excited, proud and surprised."

She enjoys the challenge of this team sport, especially the strategy involved in winning. Not one to shy away from an opportunity to get on the field, Olivia made everyone proud as she dominated the competition.

Olivia, who also played basketball at school this past year, was also thrilled because this is her first individual trophy.

"It feels amazing and I love the trophy. It's really cool how it has my name on it," Olivia said.

Olivia was recognized and honored following the May Crowning Mass in front of 550 fellow students. Local Chapter Officer Bob Hawthorne, Grand Knight Phil Maschue and KofC State Deputy Tom Kalisz were on hand to congratulate Olivia and give her the trophy.

It was a memorable moment for Olivia, who hopes to continue her soccer pursuits in the future.

"Someday I want to play soccer professionally. I want to get called up to the Women's National Team," Olivia said. "I hope to one day win the Women's World Cup."

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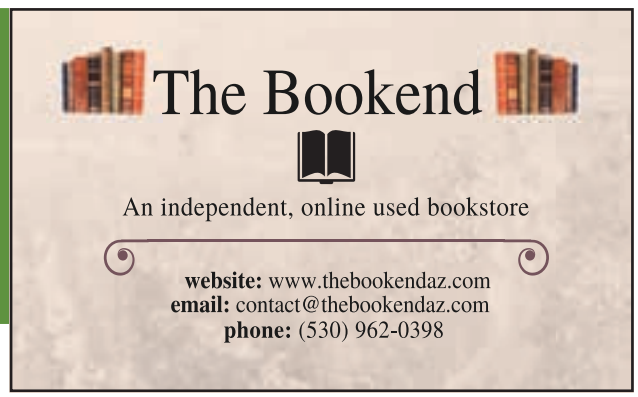
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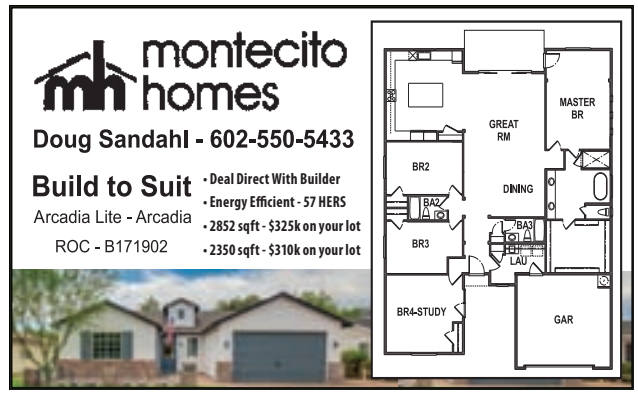


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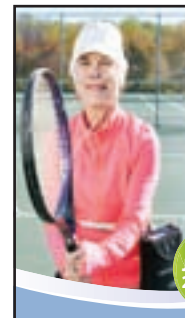
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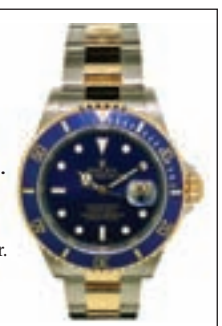
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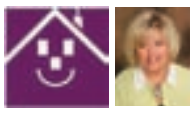


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