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OBITUARY

Alex Brandon Goerdt

Our beloved son, Alex Brandon Goerdt, 22, died on Oct. 6, 2015 at Banner Ironwood Hospital. Alex was born at Sierra Vista Community Hospital on Dec. 19, 1992. He lived in Bisbee, AZ for 15 years where he attended school through 8th grade.

Alex moved to San Tan Valley in 2007 and graduated from Florence High School in 2011. He attended Central Arizona College where he studied Business and Computer Science. Alex loved playing baseball and soccer and was in the National Honor Society.

He is survived by his father, Glen Goerdt of Tucson; his mother, Marcia Goerdt of San Tan Valley; sister, Alyssa (Ernie) Rimer and nieces Veronika and Layla Rimer, all of Murray, UT; as well as many aunts and uncles: Inez (Richard) Bartlett, Eileen Hesselmann, Jean (Charles) Cecil, Leon Goerdt, Dr. Earl (Carol) Goerdt DVM, Alan

(Lori Pooch) Goerdt, Russell Goerdt, Jerry (Cherie) Cech, and Sharla (Morris) Schwartz.

Alex was preceded in death by his grandparents, James and Shirley Cech and Al and Harriet Goerdt.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, 2015, at St. Francis Cemetery in Dyersville, Iowa. Rev. Jeffrey Dole will officiate.

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OBITUARY

Eduardo Oliveria Serrano

Eduardo Oliveria Serrano, 77, of Queen Creek, AZ, passed away on Oct. 21, 2015 after a 7 ½ year battle with cancer.

He was born on Nov. 6, 1937 at Sacred Heart Hospital in Manila, Philippines, to Apolinario Serrano and Eligia Oliveria. After graduating high school, he attended Mapua Institute of Technology.

Eduardo joined the Navy in November 1964 where he enjoyed a lengthy career until his retirement on July 1, 1988. He kept busy after retirement, working at Hawthorne Caterpillar for two years, as well as contributing 13 years of service with the Department of Veteran's Affairs.

Eduardo is survived by his loving wife of 49 ½ years, Jane; his three sons,

Edjan, Edjay, and Eujene; and six grandchildren, Adam, Haley, Ashley, Arron, Maika, and Kyla. He was a selfless and loving man who had a strong faith in God and a strong love for his family. He enjoyed family gatherings, gardening, watching movies and listening to music. Eduardo's only regret was that he would not be here to celebrate his 50th wedding anniversary. He will be dearly missed!

Family greeted friends on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015 at San Tan Mountain View Funeral Home from 4-7 p.m. On Wednesday, Oct. 28, there will be an additional visitation at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Queen Creek at 9 a.m., followed by a funeral mass at 10 a.m.

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Central Arizona College to hold community feedback sessions for national presidential search

PINAL COUNTY, Ariz. – During the Oct. 20 meeting, the Pinal County Community College District Board of Governors voted to move forward with the search for the next president of Central Arizona College. This action comes as a result of the Oct. 1 announcement of Dr. Doris Helmich's retirement, effective June 30, 2016.

A nationwide search for a new President will be conducted. Over the next few weeks, special community/college conversations will be held to gather information from the citizens of Pinal County as well as the employees of the College. The information collected will be used by the Governing Board to develop the position profile that will guide the Board in finding candidates that reflect the desired qualities and qualifications.

Following is the schedule for the community/college conversations. All sessions will be held from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m.

• **Monday, Oct. 26**

San Tan Campus - Room A100
3736 E. Bella Vista Road

San Tan Valley, AZ 85143

• **Tuesday, Oct. 27**

Signal Peak Campus – Room M101
8470 N. Overfield Road
Coolidge, AZ 85128

• **Wednesday, Oct. 28**

Superstition Mountain Campus – Room F115
805 S. Idaho Road
Apache Junction, AZ 85119

• **Monday, Nov. 2**

Maricopa Campus – Room A101
17945 N. Regent Drive
Maricopa, AZ 85138

• **Tuesday, Nov. 3**

Aravaipa Campus – Room E102
80440 E. Aravaipa Road
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For those unable to attend a community session, please provide input to the Board by participating in the online survey: <http://centralaz.fluidsurveys.com/s/pressearch2015/>. The survey will be available from Monday, Oct. 26, at noon through 6 p.m. on Wed., Nov. 11. Please call 520-494-5406 if you experience difficulties with the survey.

IT'S THE WEEKEND

Queen Creek Farmers Market

Every Sunday from Oct. 4- March 27 at the Queen Creek Library from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., patrons of the Queen Creek Farmers Market will have the opportunity to purchase Arizona grown fruits and vegetables while browsing goods from local vendors. There will be occasional entertainment, games (Chess, Tic-Tac-Toe, Jenga, Checkers, Cornhole, ect.) and food trucks. For more information please visit on.fb.me/1Lvn2pF.

OCTOBER

29 Florence Copper Coffee Club to Meet

Join Florence Copper on Thursdays at 10 a.m. for the weekly Coffee Club. Enjoy a hot beverage and pastry with other residents of the community as you chat about the Florence Copper Project, the future of Florence, or anything else. Coffee Club meets at the Florence Copper Community Center, located at 130 N. Main St. in Florence.

31 Howloween Bash at San Tan Regional Park

Head to the San Tan Mountain Regional Park for a night full of fright and delight and discover the beauty of the Sonoran Desert in the evening hours. Enjoy engaging animal presentations face painting, spooktacular activities and don't forget to get your picture taken at the photo station. Participate in the costume contest (costume contest categories are scariest, friendliest and most creative) for a chance to win a cool prize. Set out on a quarter-mile adventure along the Trick or Treat Trail while listening to frightening Halloween classics for kids. Don't forget to wear your Halloween costumes and bring a bag or bucket to collect treats along the way. Flashlights are permitted and encouraged for the hike. Guides will be stationed along the trails for assistance. The hike and program is fun for all ages, so remember to bring the entire family. To expedite entry into the Park, it is recommended to bring exact cash or annual passes for entry. The event will be held Saturday, Oct. 31, from 6-9 p.m. Meet in the Visitors Center area.

NOVEMBER



14 POWWOW comes to Farmers Market

On Saturday, Nov. 14, Produce on Wheels Without Waste will return to the San Tan Valley Farmers Market. Buy 60 pounds of produce for just \$10. And you get to pick it out! Artisan breads will also be available for purchase. The Farmers Market is located at Combs High School, 2505 E. Germann Rd., San Tan Valley. For more information please call 602-684-5489.

Harvest Festival at Queen Creek Olive Mill

October through Dec. 6, 2015 Harvest Season- 2015 Queen Creek Olive Mill harvest season is here! Check out our events calendar for special events during the weekends. Olive Oil 101 Classes/Tours are at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. Classes fill up fast. Please call and make a reservation for groups of 8 or more. Cost is \$5 Per person. Children under 12 are free. Please call ahead to see if they are pressing olives. Pressing times not guaranteed. Weekend events include food trucks festivals, art shows, food demos, the Pit bar and grill, games in the grove, live music, wine tastings, and more! Check out the events website for specific events during this year's Harvest Season! <http://bit.ly/1SB8N5S>

Flu season is around the corner; schedule flu shots now

FLORENCE, AZ - The Pinal County Public Health Services District will begin providing flu vaccine to the public on October 26, 2015. Adults can receive a flu shot by appointment only. We will begin scheduling appointments starting Monday, October 26th and continuing through November 6, 2015. Children can receive a flu shot without an appointment.

In order to schedule appointments for adults, please call toll free 1-888-431-1311, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Insurance plans will be billed for those with coverage. Children's flu vaccine is free for those under the age of 19. Adult flu vaccine for those that are uninsured or under-insured is free upon verification of eligibility.

Adults that are unable to schedule an appointment, the opportunity to receive a flu shot as a "walk-in" will be available on the following days beginning Nov. 7, 2015:

- Kearny - 355 Alden Road, 3rd Wednesday of the month, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Mammoth - 110 Main Street, Thursdays, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Superior - 60 East Main Street, 2nd Wednesday of the month, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- San Tan Valley - 36235 North Gantzel Road, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Please be advised, all Pinal County Public Health Services

District clinics will be closed

- Saturday, October 31
- Wednesday, November 4
- Wednesday, November 11
- Thursday, November 26
- Friday, November 27
- *Saturday, November 28

If you want to get a flu vaccine sooner than October 26th, there is ample vaccine available at commercial pharmacies throughout the county. Most pharmacies accept major insurance plans and Medicare Part B. In addition to pharmacies, urgent care centers also offer flu vaccine. You may also check with your primary care physician. In addition, Flu



Finder websites like <http://flushot.healthmap.org> are good sources to search for the nearest locations.

As a reminder, you should always follow these everyday steps to protect your health:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand gel.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Try to avoid close contact

with sick people.

- If you are sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24-hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. Keep away from others as much as possible to keep from making others sick. Your fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.

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Some organizations around the US sponsor a “Trunk-or-Treat” on Halloween night (or on occasion, a day immediately preceding Halloween), where trick-or-treating is done from parked car to parked car in a local parking lot, often at a school or church. Folks in Queen Creek and San Tan Valley have embraced this custom with kids having their pick of events and even multiple days to gather candy and get some extra mileage out of their costumes. Saturday, the Town of Queen Creek sponsored a Trunk or Treat at Founders Park. Turnout was high for this fun event.

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lots of fun for local children



Honea, Koester lead Bulldogs to Homecoming, Senior Night win

By Andrew Luberd
Southeast Valley Ledger

The Queen Creek football team honored its seniors and welcomed back alumni in the best way it could last Friday night: with a win.

The No. 3-ranked Bulldogs defeated No. 4-ranked Westview 34 – 13 in a game that affected both teams when the new Division II rankings were released on Tuesday, Oct. 27.

Senior quarterback Kaleb Honea scored four touchdowns – two passing and two rushing – and junior running back Jace Koester, who made his first-career varsity start, rushed for 117 yards on 34 carries. Koester had only 47 carries this season entering Friday's game.

"We're excited about our kids at Queen Creek," head coach Travis Schureman said after the game. "We've always had that next kid that's

been waiting in line for his turn and Jace did a heck of a job (Friday) running the ball for us so we're excited about what he brings to the table."

After serving as the primary backup to injured starter Gavin Danielson, Koester showed up big in his first start of the season and credited the teammate he replaced for his success in Friday's win.

"Gavin has been a great mentor for me this whole season," Koester told the *Ledger*. "When he went down I definitely knew I had big shoes to fill, but he kept me motivated through practice and told me going into this game I would get a lot of carries. I just went out there and played as hard as I could."

Friday's game started with a scoreless first quarter before senior Zach Glaess opened the scoring on the first play of the second quarter with a 48-yard field goal to give Queen Creek a

3 – 0 lead.

Glaess would later closeout the scoring in the first half with a 28-yard field goal, but it's what happened in between that allowed the Bulldogs to take control of the game.

Westview committed two turnovers on consecutive possessions after Glaess' first field goal and the Bulldogs cashed in on both.

After the first, Honea connected with receiver Ian Woods on a 67-yard touchdown pass to make it 10 – 0. Honea scored on a 1-yard touchdown run after the second turnover to make 16 – 0.

The Bulldogs scored 19 unanswered points in the second quarter to take a commanding lead into the locker room at halftime.

Westview, which averages more than 300 rushing yards per game, was limited to fewer than 150 by the Bulldogs' defense.

"(We) had a great game plan this week and we worked the defense hard (during practice)," Schureman said. "We talked about being disciplined and doing the little things. We took it a little personal that some people said they were going to run the ball down our throats because we like to play a physical type of football."

The Knights were able to get back in the game in the third quarter, scoring 13 points on consecutive possessions, but Honea would answer for the Bulldogs in the fourth quarter.

His second rushing touchdown of the game was followed by a trickery two-point-fake-field-goal PAT run by Glaess to extend the

Bulldog's lead to 27 – 13.

And later, Honea found senior tight end Jordan Ackert on a 10-yard touchdown pass and catch. The score was Ackert's first of the season.

The Bulldogs travel to Poston Butte this Friday to close out their regular season. Schureman said he expects the Broncos to be ready for the cross-town rivalry game despite their winless record.

Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m.



Dylan Duran and Vanessa Campos were crowned Homecoming King and Queen at Queen Creek High School.

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QB Kaleb Honea (1) throws a pass during the Bulldogs' 34-13 victory last Friday night.

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Four Corners of Sports: Combs, Poston Butte plan Homecoming Friday

COMBS

Football – Once again the Yotes' defense played well enough to win last Friday night at Casa Grande, limiting the No. 11-ranked Cougars to their lowest scoring and yardage totals of the season. But several failed fourth-down conversions and four second-half turnovers doomed the No. 14-ranked Coyotes in a 21 – 6 loss that puts their third-straight playoff appearance in serious jeopardy.

The Yotes, who were ranked as high as No. 10 a few weeks ago, still own the highest Average Opponent Rating in Division IV, a key component in calculating the weekly rankings. The top-16 teams make the state playoffs.

The Yotes dominated the first half in time of possession and plays but couldn't turn those advantages into points. Thanks to the defense's strong effort, the Coyotes only trailed at halftime, 7 – 0.

The Cougars increased their lead on a third-quarter touchdown pass and essentially sealed the victory on fumble recovery that was returned for a touchdown with just more than four minutes left in the game.

Junior running back Erick Guerra scored the Yotes' lone touchdown with about a minute remaining on a 13-yard run.

Combs will honor its seniors and celebrate homecoming this Friday know it faces a must-win situation if the Yotes have any hopes of making the playoffs.

It's not an unfamiliar position – they faced a similar situation two years ago and made their first playoff appearance ever.

Friday's kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. **Homecoming Parade & Tailgate Extravaganza** – Combs will hold its Homecoming parade on Thursday, Oct. 29, and is inviting all active duty and military veterans to participate. Check-in is set for 4 p.m. at Ranch Elementary, which is located at 43521 N. Kenworthy Road in San Tan Valley.

The Parade begins at 4:30 p.m. and leads to a Trunk-or-Treat tailgate at the Combs High School student parking lot from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in participated in the parade and/or Trunk-or-Treat is asked to contact Christa Moak at cmoak@cox.net or by phone: 480-326-6245.

Food trucks, bounce houses, a haunted house, game and prizes, a photo booth, and a bonfire are among the other activities that will take place at the school from 5:30 – 9 p.m.

POSTON BUTTE

Football – The Broncos saw Ironwood Ridge scored in each quarter last Friday night's game and couldn't keep up the same pace in a 42 – 20 loss.

T'reek Hendrix scored two rushing touchdowns on one and two-yard runs in the first and fourth quarters, respectively. Keaton Badger had a 99-yard kickoff return for a touchdown in the

third quarter to account for the Broncos' other score.

Ironwood Ridge held a 20 – 7 at half-time and outscored Poston Butte 22 – 13 in the second half to notch its seventh win of the year. The Broncos remain winless so far this season.

The Broncos will close out their season at home versus cross-town rival Queen Creek this Friday, honoring its seniors who will play the final game of their high school careers.

Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. **SYS 7-on-7 Passing Tournament** – The Poston Butte football practice fields will serve as host to the Spirit of Youth Sports 7-on-7 Passing Tournament on Dec. 5 from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Separate divisions by grade for players in 4 – 12 grades are invited to participate. A maximum of 12 players per roster can enter the tournament for a \$180 fee. Each team will play a minimum of three games.

The sport of 7-on-7 is rapidly growing across the nation, as more and more coaches, players, and parents are discovering that 7-on-7 football is a fun and inexpensive way for football players to practice their skills and prepare for the upcoming Youth, Middle School & High School seasons.

For more information on 7-on-7 competition and to register a team online, visit <http://sys7on7.homestead.com>. Interested persons or teams can call 480-512-

9972 for additional information. The registration deadline is Monday, Nov. 30.

Girls' Volleyball – The Broncos went 1 – 2 at the Florence Invitational over the weekend, defeating Youngker 2 – 1 (25-23, 7-25, 15-12) for their lone win. They lost to both Arizona Lutheran Academy (2 – 0) and Fountain Hills (2 – 1).

The Broncos close out their season with two games this week, beginning at Chandler Prep on Oct. 27 and at home versus Veritas Prep on Oct. 29.

Both matches are scheduled for 6 p.m.

SAN TAN FOOTHILLS

Football – The Sabercats' hopes for a playoff berth were ended last Friday after a 40 – 14 Homecoming loss to Section VI Champion Miami.

The Cats got off a perfect start led by their defense, which shutout the high-scoring Vandals during the first quarter. Sophomore Manny Armenta scored on a 32-yard touchdown run near the end of the quarter to give the Cats a 7 – 0 lead entering the second quarter.

As good as the Cats were in the first, they were equally, if not worse, in the second quarter. They committed four turnovers in the second quarter and allowed the Vandals to score 34 unanswered points, which essentially decided the game.

Miami added a third quarter touchdown and Sabercats' senior Kyle Stanifer scored on a 25-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter to close out the game's

scoring.

The Cats end their season at home this Friday versus San Carlos.

Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m.

QUEEN CREEK

Girls' Volleyball – The Bulldogs gave No. 10-ranked Mountain Pointe all it could handle last Thursday night but ultimately fell short in the five-game match, 3 – 2 (25-22, 25-20, 8-25, 17-25, 9-15).

Despite the loss, a number of underclassmen showed they could play with one of the best teams in the state.

Freshman Kate Grimmer and sophomore Serena Caspersen combined for 25 of the Bulldogs' 37 kills in the match.

Sophomore Kennadee Coplen finished with a 93 serve percentage and a team-high seven aces.

Caspersen and sophomore Claudia Wilson tied for a team-high four blocks each.

Sophomore Tisha Barlow led the Bulldogs with 21 digs against the Pride. Grimmer and sophomore McKenna Cavanaugh finished with 14 and 13 digs, respectively.

Coplen accounted for all 21 assists in the match.

The Bulldogs close out their season with three games this week, beginning with their home finale on Oct. 26 versus Mesquite. They play at Basha on Oct. 27 and at Desert Vista on Oct. 29.

All matches are scheduled for 6 p.m.

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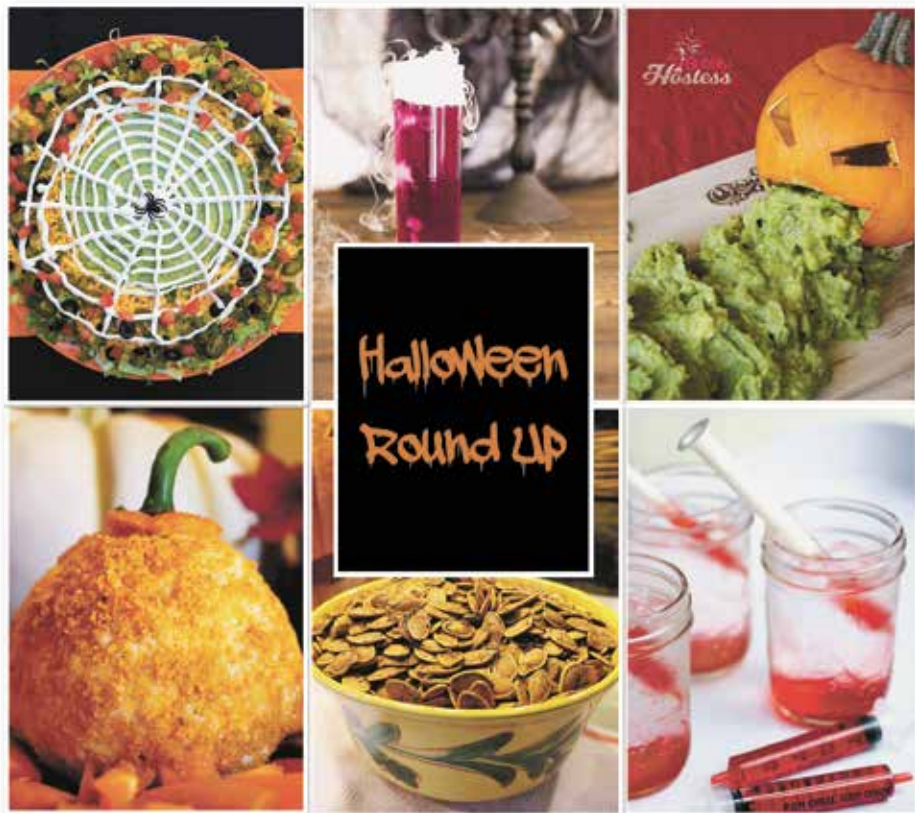
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The Bubbly Hostess Shares a Halloween Round Up



Halloween is always a fun time of year! It's a great time to get those creative juices flowing – I put this Round Up together to help you do just that. After reviewing what's on my blog, looks like I haven't made a Halloween cocktail yet – guess I need to put that on my list!

Most of these posts you can find on my blog at www.bubblyhostess.com – you can either perform a search or go to the “Seasonal” menu and choose “Autumn”. From there you will find links to those noted. For the two beverages, I've included the site where they can be found as well. Starting at the top left and going around to the right

Halloween Spider Web Dip: This is super easy and can serve a crowd. You can find the details for this one on my blog

Purple Potion: I thought this vodka based drink was beautiful in color and sounded great too! Find the recipe on Baked by Joanna at www.bakedbyjoanna.com

Halloween Guacamole: OK – this is a little gross, but easy and fun too! Read more details on The Bubbly Hostess.

Pumpkin Cheese Ball: This one can be used for Halloween or Thanksgiving! You can find this one on my site too.

Toasted Pumpkin Seeds: These are always a family favorite! The Hubby shared his recipe a couple of years ago and it's on The Bubbly Hostess.



THE BUBBLY HOSTESS

By Heather Sneed
Special to the Ledger

Bloody Shirley Temple: I recently saw these from Your Southern Peach at www.yoursouthernpeach.com – what a fun (and kinda spooky) idea for the kids!

What creative dishes or drinks are you making this year?

I love to hear feedback - please visit my blog at www.bubblyhostess.com. You can also follow The Bubbly Hostess on Facebook, Pinterest, Instagram, and Twitter.

Happy Haunting!



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College/Community Conversations

Pinal County Citizens are invited to provide the Governing Board feedback in preparation for the national presidential search. The ideas collected will be used to develop the position profile that will guide the Board in finding candidates who reflect the desired qualities and qualifications. *All sessions will be held from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m.*

Monday, Oct. 26
San Tan Campus - Room A100
3736 E. Bella Vista Road
San Tan Valley, AZ 85143

Wednesday, Oct. 28
Superstition Mountain Campus-Room F115
805 S. Idaho Road
Apache Junction, AZ 85119

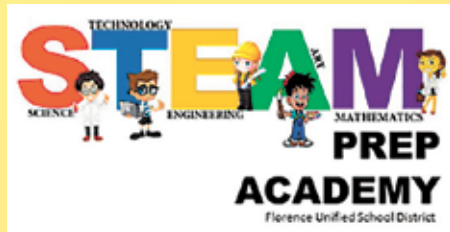
Tuesday, Nov. 3
Aravaipa Campus – Room E102
80440 E. Aravaipa Road
Winkelman, AZ 85192

Tuesday, Oct. 27
Signal Peak Campus – Room M101
8470 N. Overfield Road
Coolidge, AZ 85128

Monday, Nov. 2
Maricopa Campus – Room A101
17945 N. Regent Drive
Maricopa, AZ 85138

If unable to attend one of the sessions please give the Board your input by participating in the online survey: <http://centralaz.fluidsurveys.com/s/pressearch2015/>. The survey will be available from Noon on Monday, Oct. 26 through 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 11. Call 520-494-5406 if you experience difficulties with the survey.





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