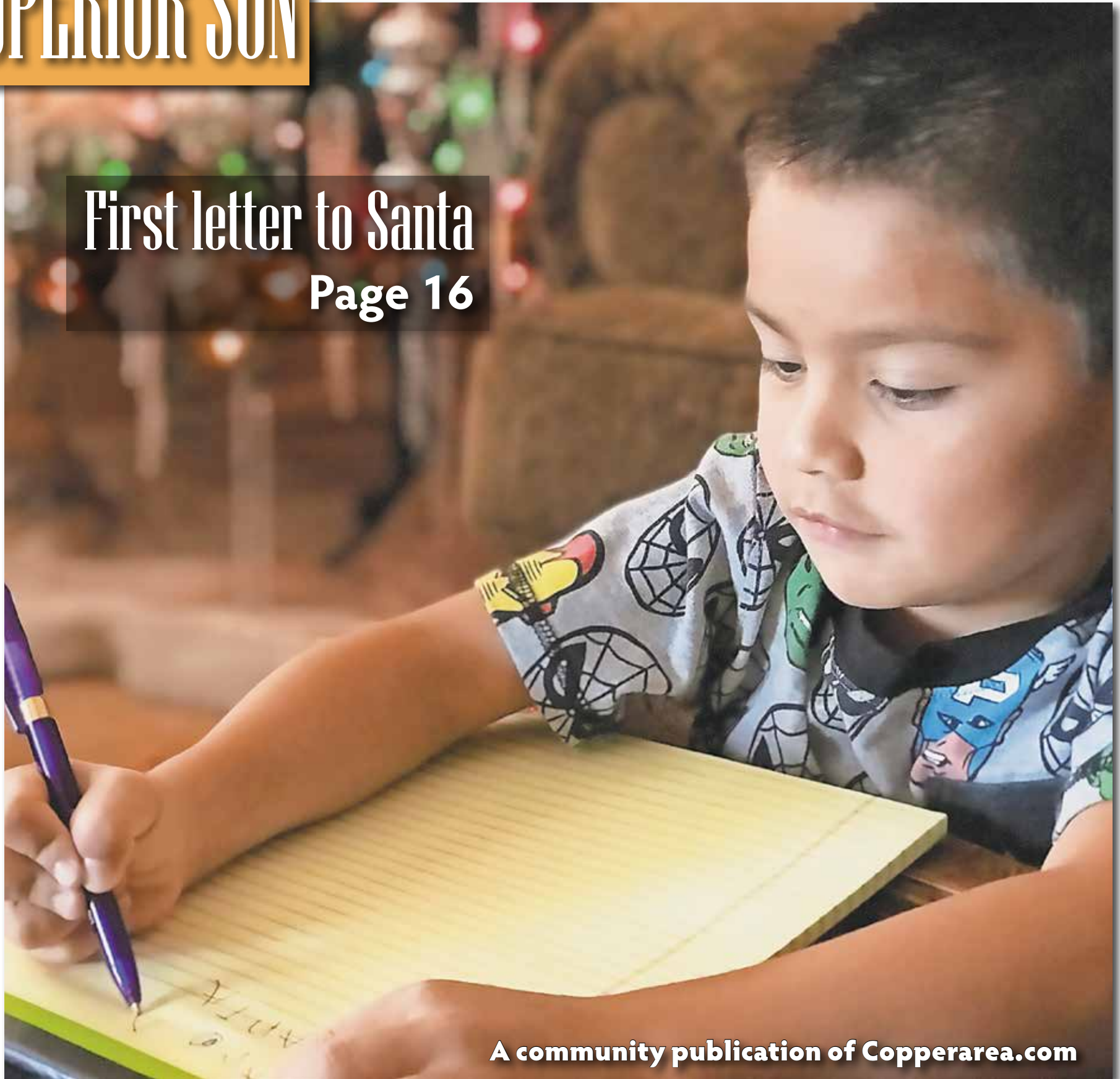
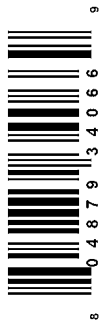


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Superior Fire battles suspicious blazes

The Superior Police Department is seeking information about a series of fires that broke out on Sunday, Nov. 26, in different areas around town.

At 9:13 p.m., Superior Fire Department was paged out for a report of a brushfire on US 60 near the Family Dollar store. The on-duty crew quickly responded in the tender (engine/tanker) and found a quickly spreading brushfire on the south side of US 60 just west of Highway 177. Structures were about 50 yards away and the fire was aggressively attacked as off-duty and reserve firefighters responded in a second engine to assist. The fire was extinguished and the area soaked with water.

As fire crews returned to the station at 10 p.m., a glow was spotted and calls came in about another fire near Western and Valentine. An SFD engine arrived to find dry brush and tall bushes at least 6 feet high engulfed with fire spreading in a vacant lot surrounded by occupied homes.

The fire was contained to a small area and put out as a call of a third fire was reported on Highway 177 and Ray at 10:07 p.m. The fire was much larger than the first two and quickly climbing the hill towards Apache Leap. It was attacked at the head of the fire stopping it from climbing up further and extinguished with the area soaked with extra water.

All the fires were suspicious and being looked into as arson. Superior Police Department located a suspicious

male subject at the time of the third fire a few blocks away and detained him for investigation.

No further brush fires were reported at that time.

If you have any information about these fires or have seen anything suspicious that can be related, please contact the Superior Police Department.

Voter approved Pinal Regional Transportation Plan and half-cent sales tax: Next Steps

On Nov. 7, Pinal County Voters approved a 20-year Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and a half-cent sales tax dedicated to funding the Plan.

Andy Smith, Public Works Principal Planner, has been appointed by the Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (PRTA) as General Manager and will begin assisting the Pinal Regional Transportation Board with coordinating the implementation of the Plan.

Mr. Smith currently serves as the Transportation Planning Supervisor for the Pinal County Public Works Department. Mr. Smith has over 25 years in State and County government in the areas of traffic engineering, safety, partnering, and transportation planning disciplines. Mr. Smith holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Management from University of Phoenix and a Master's degree in Public Administration from Troy University.

Mr. Smith will begin working with the board members of the PRTA as they begin establishing the following items, approved in the RTP: Establish by-laws for the following: PRTA; Technical Advisory Committee; Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee; Establish the Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee; Establishment of a TIP (Transportation Improvement Program), starting with the 0-5 year plan; Coordinate discussions and meetings with governing authorities; and Working on Financial Planning

More information about the PRTA and the RTP will be available in early December. Visit www.PinalRTA.org, and follow PRTA on Facebook at [PinalRTA2017](https://www.facebook.com/PinalRTA2017) to keep informed. All election details can be found on the Pinal County Elections website at results.enr.clarityelections.com/AZ/Pinal/71868/Webo2/#/ For questions about PRTA please contact Andy Smith at 520.866.6407.

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By Dennis Van Gorp
Family Life Christian Center

Don't Wait for the New Year – Make Your Resolution Now

In Psalm 17:3, David makes the statement - "I have resolved that my mouth will not sin." In verse 1, he says, "my prayer does not come from deceitful lips."

Paul, in his letters to the churches, list various sins found among the believers. Those that come from the lips are: hatred, brawling, slander, filthy language, godless chatter,

quarrels and arguments. These things are inappropriate for God's holy children.

Most of these are simply a result of the choices we make. Our choices can be good, bad or indifferent. They are a product of our thoughts, attitudes, experiences and emotions. The events that happen around us are capable

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Extending a Welcoming Hand to Winter Visitors

Most of the churches in the Copper Corridor are getting smaller and older. It's tough to have few or no children, and no new adults coming in. Good Shepherd Church in Kearny is no exception. But Pastor Michael Eaton, almost as an aside, said this past Sunday, "Look around us. We have many empty seats. Just think how much room we have to be more welcoming!"

It's the familiar question of water in the glass: half full or half empty? Do we complain about not enough water or fill the glass?

Rural Arizona towns (especially mining towns) are similar to the churches. The

towns are getting smaller, older and poorer. We are discouraged often and lament our situation. We retreat into our memories of the way things used to be. When we get this kind of mindset we give up our capability to look around ourselves and see the possibilities which might be available to us.

Let me recount something I did last February. With some other people from the Copper Corridor, I went to the Great Canadian Picnic at South Mountain Park in Phoenix. Have you heard of it? It was new to me. It's a gathering of snow bird Canadians who meet their friends and trade information on things to do in

Arizona.

I went prepared to invite Canadians to try Kearny for winter living. I had 1,000 brochures touting Kearny and distributed 800 of them. I talked up our weather, the beauty, the outdoor life, and our businesses and health facilities. And I learned something. Canadian snow birds are tired of shuffleboard, golf, and expensive restaurants. They don't like the smog and the traffic.

What they are seeking is warmth, beauty, and opportunities for outdoor life. Many of them are hikers and were pleased to find out about the Arizona Trail. Others like four-wheeling, but they're tired of pulling their trailers a long distance through traffic to get to off-road sites. Some like to fish; others like to hunt; others like long walks in the peace and quiet.

That describes our area, doesn't it? We have all that and more. But the Canadians, for the most part, are unaware of this part



ALONG THE GILA

By Sam Hosler
Special to Copper Area News

of the world. We need to fill this glass with publicity and our willing welcome.

Another real possibility, partly realized, is the fact that we are a Gateway Community for the new Arizona Trail. Hiking season is already with us. The businesses in Kearny are working to be attentive to the needs of hikers. There are "trail angels" in town who will respond at any time to drive to the Kelvin Bridge and bring hikers into town and back out again the next day. The IGA has a special trail needs section. Old Time Pizza even delivers pizza out to the trail head! Most of the hikers enjoy staying at the General Kearny Inn. Our bars and restaurants are starting to welcome these people (who seem to be either older persons or younger persons with few middle-agers).

The presence of our winter residents is extremely valuable to us. They come to our churches; they support our school sports programs; they pick up their mail and shop in the stores just like the rest of us. And now many of them are our long-term friends. Let's not take them for granted.

Now that the Copper Corridor communities have fewer people, we have more room. Let's see what it takes to welcome new people into our towns.



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of influencing our judgement, which changes how we will respond.

Many of us make a New Year's Resolution. You can make one anytime, without having to wait for the new year.

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Miracle on Main Street will begin at 3 p.m. with free train rides, craft booths, vendors, food booths and entertainment. The parade will begin promptly at 7 p.m. on Main Street. Santa will be visiting with children following the parade. Goody bags will be given out to the first 300 visitors to Santa. The Superior Optimist Club is still accepting application for the light parade. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first (\$100), second (\$75) and third place (\$50) entries. To register for the parade you may call JoAnn Besich at 520-827-0592 or you may register online at: <http://bit.ly/2017MiracleonMain>

Marilee Lasch will be hosting a holiday boutique in her home and art studio located on the corner of High School Ave and Magma Avenue. The boutique will feature several local crafters and artists. The boutique will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on both Saturday, Dec. 2, and Sunday, Dec. 3.

On Friday, Dec. 8, the Superior Optimist Club will host the third annual Ugly Christmas Sweater contest. This year there is an adult ages 17 and over category, a youth

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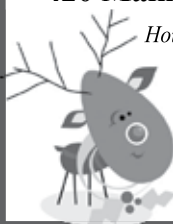


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12 + 55 = 67 years: Superior High School Class of 1962 Reunion



The majority of us are six to seven years of age when we begin grade school. Those from the Class of 1962 are now around 73 or 74 years of age, and, have 67 years of shared memories and friendships.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, the Superior High School Class of 1962 celebrated their 55th Class Reunion. Meeting at the Arizona Golf Resort Garden Pavilion in Mesa, at Power Road and Broadway, a total of 20 classmates attended with spouses, guests or single.

Sylvia Perez, of the class of 1962, stated, "We have always included those not only that graduated, but, attended school with us during our twelve years of school. Some moved away and graduated from other schools, or, just left school. Regardless, we

have always included them, and, yes, we are a class; but, consider ourselves just one large family and always trying to stay in touch."

Perez went on to say, "We have always been lucky to have our class sponsors attend, which were William (Coach) Gonzales, and the late Raymond Argetl. Coach Gonzales and wife Virgie attended, and it is always great to reminisce with them. Unfortunately, we lost Mr. Argel earlier this year."

Heading this reunion were Roy and Sue Bobbit, Sylvia (Padilla) Perez and Elena (Acosta) Sandoval with help from Olivia (Martinez) Acosta and Rosa (Rodriguez) Morales. Marion and Judith Pomeroy traveled from Texas, Jeannie (Almejo) Yates traveled from New Mexico; and, from California,

Martha (Lucero) and Phil Berthel, Raymond Gallegos, Gus and Brenda Romero, David and Pamela Wing and Rosemary Romero came with brother Gus.

Attending within Arizona were Jerry and Glenda Chilton, Camerino and Judith Lopez, Mary Ellen (Gomez) and Chris Magana, Manuel and Mary Lou Torres, Olivia (Martinez) and George Acosta, Roy and Sue Bobbitt, Terry (Gallegos) Salas who came with brother Raymond, Jack Herron who brought brother Danny Herron, Rosa (Rodriguez) Morales, Mary (Mora) Moreno, Elena (Acosta) and Ernie Sandoval, and Sylvia (Padilla) Perez. Also, Reavis and Sherry Franklin joined in and Pete Gutierrez stopped by just to say hello, but, couldn't stay.

Sylvia Perez said, "This class has lost 26 classmates and during this search for classmates, we found Lynne Saarup, just to find out that she, too, had passed. However, we had the opportunity to meet her husband Ron Bieschke, who joined us and met her classmates. Some classmates or spouses who were unable to attend due to ill health were sent get well cards signed by those classmates in attendance, to let them know they were missed. This class has also always invited those spouses of deceased classmates."

Perez continued, "Enjoyed by everyone, classmates suggested meeting every year, somehow, since we are getting up in years. We can still kick, just not too high. Forever Panthers!"



It's Time America

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Let's do something for the good of the people, like universal health care and putting people to work rebuilding our infrastructure. We can find creative ways to help finance health care. Some ideas would be to legalize marijuana nationwide and place a federal health tax on it. A small increase on tobacco and alcohol taxes to be used exclusively for health care. Then let's add a large health tax to all sales of guns and ammunition. A 25¢ charge on each bullet would be a nice start. A national health lottery. Let's bring back President Reagan's income tax rate levels for the rich. Yes, we probably would have to raise Medicare contributions but I believe people would go along with it, if it meant they had



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By John Hernandez
San Manuel Miner

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In your Biz

The word entrepreneur is defined as “a person who organizes and operates a business or businesses, taking on greater than normal financial risks in order to do so” When Michael Alvarez graduated from Superior High School in 1991, he was anxious to move away from Superior, anxious to start his adult life and enjoy every moment of it. His plans in the early 90’s only had him returning to Superior to visit his family; there was no reason to return in his mind.

He attended Mesa Community College. He started his career working for engineering firms, honing his skills with a solid work ethic and eagerness to learn. He married his high-school sweetheart Venita Perez and the two settled down in Gilbert, Arizona. They had a son and a daughter and most recently a grandson has come into their lives. Life was good, moving along and then as most entrepreneurial and determined people do, Michael found that he was bored in his job while working in Mesa. He

The Entrepreneur: Michael Alvarez

took a day off, came to Superior and took his mom to lunch at the Cafe Piedra Roja. He hadn’t heard much about the Resolution Copper Project at that time. He began listening to a conversation at a nearby table discussing CAD technology and GIS and other technical processes. He was familiar with all of these terms and discussion topics.

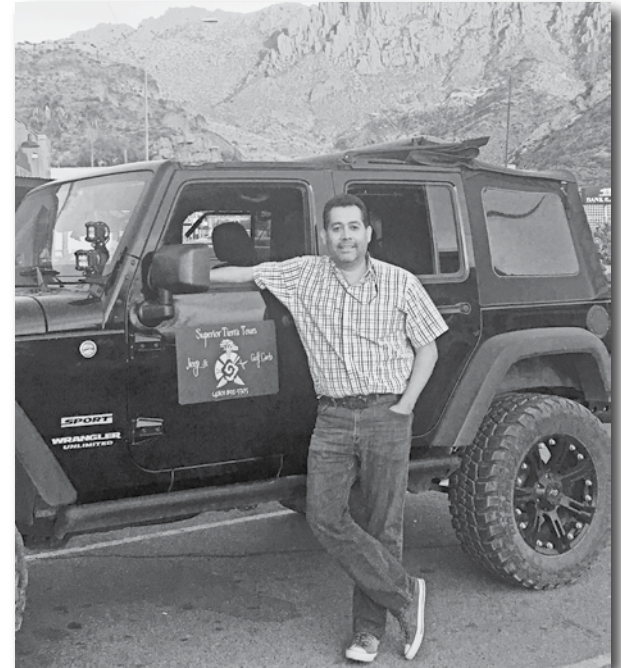
“I apologized for eavesdropping, introduced myself and started asking them questions about the project,” he said. Michael quickly gave them some of his background and it was then he told them he would like to work for Resolution Copper (as his father, grandfather, uncles and many other family members did) if any positions were to become available. It wasn’t too long after, he was being contacted to apply for a position and an offer was made.

Meanwhile, Michael had another job offer on the table back in Mesa, making more money, Fridays off and without a commute to Superior from his home in Gilbert.

“Something clicked and I knew I wanted to work in Superior,” he said. That was over 13 years ago and Michael claims it was one of his best decisions. Michael credits his wife Venita for always supporting him in life and taking these business risks. The two are both looking forward to returning to Superior in the next year (or two or three) when the remodel of his grandparents’ house is complete.

Over the course of those 13 years working for Resolution

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Lady Bucks finish fifth at state golf championship; Carlson places fifth overall at 161

At the end of the season, the Lady Bucks golf team of Lowry High School - Hannah Havens, Mekenzie Vandemark, Angelina Martinez, Kaitlyn Hales, Tatyana Carlson and head coach Todd Milton - finished it's season at the NIAA 3A State Championships at Mountain Falls Golf Club in Pahrump, played Wednesday Oct. 18 and Thursday, Oct. 19, in fifth place. Tatyana Carlson finished fifth overall at 161. These are respectable positions to be in, but, hardly the stuff of heady dreams. Right?

Consider that at the beginning of August, the year started out with the team having doubts if there would even be a full squad so that they would be able to compete. Finally finding enough members of the team to compete, the Lowry roster was all underclassmen comprised of three juniors and two freshman. Imagine, the odd so stacked against your team from the beginning and fighting one's way to fifth place. Where would your head be at, then?

If you were Tatyana, you would be submitting a message to the local news, through proud mother Anna Villaverde Carlson, stating to thank Nana Dora, Mac Villaverde, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends for the support and how greatly appreciative she is for it. Ms. Carlson indicated an especial thanks to her siblings, Jojo Tameron and Susan Villaverde "for the wishes and thumbs up", and, to all the people of Superior who showed their support through Facebook. Which is an attitude that shows the championship spirit of Ms. Carlson, her team, her family, and the community from which they spring.

Lowry went from the humble almost non-beginnings of August, to finished third in the Northern 3A with just five players. Last week, the Lady Bucks shot 405 and 414 for a two-day total of 819, bringing them into fifth place. Tatyana Carlson, a Lowry Junior, with rounds of 76 and 85

finished fifth overall (161) and was the highest Northern 3A finisher She was in second place after the first 18 holes of the tournament. She was named Co-Player of the Year in the Northern 31, along with Elko's Annika Criss, who finished sixth (163).

Spring Creek was sixth place (845), SECTA finished in fourth place with 779. Pahrump Valley, with home course advantage, placed third after rounds of 375 and 353 for a 753. The defending state champion team of Elko finished second at 741. The Eagles led Elko by three strokes (359-362) after the first 18 hole. Boulder City carded at 345 on the final 18 holes to shoot 704, stepping up from state runner up from the previous season to win the state championship, on this last season, on day two.

Lani Potter of Boulder City won the individual title for a second consecutive year, with a two day total of 149 after rounds of 75 and 74. Coming in second was Western's Carolyn Lemon (157). Cassidy Phelan of SECTA finished third (179). Pahrump Valley's Breanne Nygard's two-day score of 160 brought her into fourth place. Junior Hannah Havens shot 99 on the first day and 107 on day two, to tie for 18th place with a 206. Freshman Angelina Martinez, who played in her first state championship, had the same rounds of 104 on both days to shoot 208, tied for 21st. Mekenzie Vandemark shot 126-118-244 to finish 39th and freshman Kaitlyn Hales carded rounds of 135 and 150 for a 265 to place 43rd.

To recap the highlights of the 2017 NAA 31 State Girls Golf Championships the team scores were for: 1. Boulder City, 359-345-704; 2. Elko, 362-379-7416; 3. Pahrump Valley, 378-375-753; 4. SECTA, 380-399-779; 5. Lowry, 405-414-819, and 6. Spring Creek, 423-422-845.

Congratulations to the Lady Bucks for



Lowry's Tatyana Carlson hits a shot during the NIAA 3A State Girls Golf Championships in Pahrump.

persevering and prospering in the face of adversity. Way to go, Lowry!

Tatyana is the granddaughter of Nacho and Dora Villaverde of Superior. Tatyana wants to thank Nana Dora and Mac Villaverde, Aunts, Uncles, cousins and friends for the support it was greatly appreciated also to brother Jojo

Tameron and sister Susan Villaverde for the wishes and thumbs up. And to the people from Superior who supported her on Facebook, "I can't say how much it means."

Editor's note: This story is reprinted with permission from The Humboldt Sun and was written by Tony Erquiaga.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Arboretum Daily Guided Tours

Boyce Thompson Arboretum volunteers narrate the venerable gardens' history while pointing out colorful plants, birds and seasonal changes on guided walking tours every day, this month and on through to the end of April. Tours depart from the visitor center at 11 a.m. and are included with \$12.50 daily admission \$12.50, or, free to BTA annual members, and also free if you have an Arizona State Parks pass. Confirm weekend bird walks, botany tours and other special event dates and times at cals.arizona.edu/bta; see daily photo updates and connect with staff at facebook.com/btarboretum.

Bob Jones Museum Hours

Bob Jones Museum is open on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from noon - 3 p.m. It will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

DECEMBER



1 First Friday Free Social at Centrix Outreach

Centrix Health Resources Outreach invites you to join them on Dec. 1, 10 a.m. - noon at the new location: the Superior Senior Center, 360 Main St. Join us for Christmas cheer, coffee, snacks, laughs and fun.

Submit information to CBNSUN@minersunbasin.com or call 520-363-5554. Listings are free. The Superior Sun reserves the right to edit or refuse submissions. Submissions are due the Friday before Wednesday publication.



2 Food Bank Raffle at Miracle on Main St.

Support the Superior Food Bank and maybe win a prize! The Superior Food Bank will host a food drive on Saturday, Dec. 2, in the lot next to Felicia's Ice Cream Parlor beginning at 4 p.m. during the Miracle on Main St. event. Donate can goods and receive a raffle ticket. Three cans of food will give you one raffle ticket. So bring more food and get more chances to win gift cards, Christmas decorations & more! You can also buy raffle tickets: 7 for \$5; 15 for \$10; or 25 for \$20! All proceeds benefit the food bank.



7 Edible & Medicinal Desert Plants

Attend Edible & Medicinal Desert Plants on Thursday, Dec. 7. Native Americans and Spanish settlers used plants for fiber, food, medicine and shelter, from prickly pear cactus pads and fruit to agaves, saguaro, mesquite and palo verde. These plants are explained with interpretive signs along our Currandero Trail; walk the trail with our guides to see these plants in their natural habitat and sample tastes unique to our Sonoran Desert.



8 Senior Center Lunch & Bingo

Superior Senior Citizens present "BINGO". This is not your regular BINGO; very easy to play and we will show you how on Monday, Dec. 18, from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m., with \$2 buy in/snack time starting at 9:30 a.m. \$25 gift card to a local store will be the grand prize. Money will be reinvested in snacks/prize for next event. Lunch guests are eligible to participate in game activities. Future game ideas are Dominoes, cards and Monopoly. Lunch is \$2 for adults 55 and over or disabled and \$4 for younger guests. You must be at least 18 to play. Please call 689-5182 by Wednesday, Dec. 13 to order lunch. Please call Connie at 520-689-0104 with comments or suggestions.

9 Virgen de Guadalupe Celebration

The Virgen de Guadalupe Celebration will be on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 1 p.m. at the home of Brulio and JoAnn Amavisca, 419 W. Quarelli St., Winkelman. All are welcome.

ON THE AGENDA

SUPERIOR TOWN COUNCIL: The Superior Town Council meets the second Thursday at 7 p.m. at the old Roosevelt School Auditorium.

SUPERIOR OPTIMIST CLUB: The Superior Optimist Club meets the first and third Tuesdays at Edwardo's Pizza at 6:30 p.m. Anyone wishing to join the club can contact JoAnn Besich at 520-827-0592.

SUPERIOR SENIOR CENTER: The Superior Senior Center is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A hot nutritious lunch is provided at noon. Bingo is played every Tuesday and Thursday starting at 10:30 a.m. Come in and join us for lunch or Bingo. You do not need to be a senior to join us, but must be over 21 to play Bingo. Need a ride to the center? Call 520-689-5182.

SUPERIOR ROTARY CLUB: The Superior Rotary Club is the oldest service club in Superior that is still in service today. If you are interested in becoming a Rotarian, please call the school district for the next meeting date, 689-3000.

SUPERIOR SCHOOL BOARD: Regular meetings of the Superior School District Governing Board are held at 6 p.m. in the Auditorium, at Kennedy Elementary School, 1500 Sunset Drive in Superior, usually on the first Wednesday of each month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superior Head Start

Head Start, 150 N. Lobb Ave., is a Federal program for children of preschool age (3-4 yrs.), at-risk or with disabilities, provided through Pinal Gila Community Child Services (PGCCS) to promote school readiness and provide age-appropriate learning activities. Transportation is not provided. Applications for enrollment can be completed online at pgccs.org. Children must be 3 years old by Aug. 31 and up-to-date with immunizations. Family must income qualify and provide proof of both income and guardianship. Call 520-689-2812 for more information.

JFK Elementary Preschool

John F. Kennedy Elementary Preschool is accepting applications for the 2017-18 school year. Children must be four years of age by Sept. 1, 2017 and parents/guardians will need to provide the child's original birth certificate, immunization records, and proof of residency. Applications are available at JFK Elementary School, 1500 Sunset Dr., Superior. For questions please call 520-689-3000 ext 3156.

Play Bingo in Miami

Superior neighbors are invited for Tuesday night Bingo at The Catholic Daughters of America at Blessed Sacrament church. Doors open at 4 p.m., play starts at 6 p.m. Costs start at \$19 per player; cash only. All wins are computer verified. These events are open to the public; all players must be 18 or older. Please come join us.

MIKE ALVAREZ

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Copper, Michael grew more and more optimistic about the future of Superior. He and a cousin partnered together to rehabilitate property that was owned by their family, known as the Bribescas Casitas, located on Magma Avenue. The family had operated them as rentals and offered them as starter homes for several generations of young couples who married.

“They called them the honeymoon suites,” said Michael. Much like the elders in their family, Michael and his cousin saw a need for short term housing and rentals. They rehabbed these tiny homes (200 to 400 square

foot) and opened Copper Cottages. These homes are always occupied. They originally thought they could be used for short term vacation type rentals, but most of their tenants have rented for longer terms. Michael is looking to rehabilitate a few more homes for long term and short term rentals to increase their vacancy.

“The need is there,” he said.

A recent Facebook post about his Copper Cottages had his phone ringing off the hook, mostly people looking for winter homes, vacation rentals and weekend getaways.

Once that rehab project

was complete, Michael and his cousin saw another business opportunity in the community. Off road jeep and in town historical golf cart tours, soon Superior Tours / Tierra Rentals was in the works. After extensive permitting and paperwork to the Tonto National Forest, Superior Tours / Tierra Rentals was approved to start operating four wheel drive jeep tours in the Tonto National Forest outside of Superior. Tours include trips to the Silver King Mine, Oak Flat area and tours around Picket Post Mountain.

He enjoys visiting with the all visitors who take the tours.

“They have fun and enjoy learning about the history of our town,” he explained.

Reservations are recommended and if possible a 24 hour notice is appreciated. Reservations for jeep and golf cart tours can be arranged by calling 480-892-5505 or email superiortierra@gmail.com.

These two business endeavors keep Michael busy along with friends, family and his full time career with Resolution Copper, but he still has another project in the works under Superior Main Land llc. He plans to build a two-story commercial retail/restaurant/loft apartment building on

Main Street next to the VFW with his partner Karl Obergh (Owner of Ritoch-Powell & Assoc). He isn't sure if he will actually operate a business from the building or if he will rent it to another entrepreneur, but one thing for sure, Michael is full of ideas of for the building. He is determined to see these businesses flourish and ensure that his investments in Superior are worthwhile.

His advice to future and fellow entrepreneurs? “Don't be afraid, follow your passions, take time to sit still and listen... that small voice in your soul is usually whispering you the answers.. Respect and

listen to what your elders have to say (most of the time), and most important – in the famous words of Martin Luther King Jr. - ‘Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase.’”

Weather

Date	High	Low	Pcp
Nov 20	79	48	
Nov 21	81	46	
Nov 22	87	60	
Nov 23	90	53	
Nov 24	87	53	
Nov 25	87	52	
Nov 26	93	50	

Weather readings
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Thompson Arboretum.

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Fellowship Baptist Church

Tilbury & Danbury, Kearny

Pastor Joe Palmer
520-363-5434

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Tuesday Morning Fellowship 10 a.m.
Wednesday Dinner & Bible Study 6-7 p.m.
Friday Kids' Club 1-2:30 p.m.

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Bottom of School Hill, Kearny

Rev. Michael Eaton
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Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.

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Presbyterian Church of Superior

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520-689-2631

Worship Service Sunday: 10 a.m.
All are welcome.

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11 Church Ave., Superior

Fr. Samuel Jandeh
520-689-2250

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Saturday 5 p.m. • Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.
Confession: Sat. 4-4:45 p.m. or by req.
www.stfrancissuperior.org

Kearny Church of Christ

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Pastor Anthony DaCunha
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Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

Superior Harvest Church

Hill St. & Stone Ave., Superior

Pastor Albert M. Rodriguez
480-354-4499 H
480-329-3647 C

Sunday Morning Service 10 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 5 p.m.

Victory in Jesus

Family Life Christian Center

56 Kellner Ave., Superior

Pastors Dennis & Sandy VanGorp
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Sunday Prayer 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6 p.m.

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Pastor Ron Hazelwood
520-365-0636

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www.calvarykearny.com

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Rev. Fr. George Kunnel (Pastor)
520-363-7205

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Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass 9 a.m.
Sunday Religious Ed for Children, Youth Ministry & Jr. High Youth Groups 10:15 a.m.

To be included in the weekly church listing,
call 520-363-5554 or email at
cbnsun@minersunbasin.com.

Public Notice

RESOLUTION NO. 17-590

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THOSE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK ENTITLED "TOWN OF SUPERIOR SPONSORSHIP POLICY FOR PUBLIC EVENTS" AND ADOPTING THE RULES, REGULATIONS, FOR THE SPONSORSHIP POLICY FOR PUBLIC EVENTS BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, Pinal County, Arizona, as follows: Section 1. Declaration of Public Record. That certain document entitled "TOWN OF SUPERIOR SPONSORSHIP POLICY FOR PUBLIC EVENTS" a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby declared a public record. Section 2. Adoption of Policies and Procedures and Fees. That the Town Council of the Town of Superior hereby adopts and approves the policies, procedures as set forth in the TOWN OF SUPERIOR SPONSORSHIP POLICY FOR PUBLIC EVENTS. Section 3. Copies Filed with the Town Clerk. Three copies of that certain document titled "TOWN OF SUPERIOR SPONSORSHIP POLICY FOR PUBLIC EVENTS" shall remain on file with the Town Clerk and to be available for public use and inspection during regular business hours. PASSED AND ADOPTED BY the Mayor and Council of the Town of Superior, Pinal County, Arizona, this 29th day of November, 2017. /s/ Mila Besich-Lira, Mayor ATTEST: /s/ Todd Pryor, Town Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM: /s/ Stephen R. Cooper, Town Attorney
SUN Legal 11/22/17, 11/29/17

Public Notice

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Public Notice

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR DEBT COLLECTION SERVICES

INTRODUCTION:

The Town of Superior is requesting proposals from collection agencies willing to undertake the collection of delinquent utility accounts. Any agreement entered into as a result of this Request for Proposal (RFP) may be non-exclusive.

1.0 Definitions

Contractor – the firm(s) or agency(ies) awarded a contract in accordance with the Request for Proposal. Town of Superior – the Town Council of the Town of Superior, Arizona.

1. Information required in the Request for Proposals

The Request for Proposals should include the following:

- 1) A summary of the business, agency, or firm.
- 2) The name, business address, and telephone number of the individual that will act as the contact person, and the number of employees employed by the firm.
- 3) The years of experience the Contractor has in collections of unpaid debts.
- 4) The experience of the firm and staff with municipal and local government debt collection issues.
- 5) A copy of applicable licenses and the amount of insurance coverage that will be obtained.
- 6) The technical resources available to the Contractor in the pursuit of the collection of accounts.
- 7) A list of at least three (3) references with contact information. If the Contractor has any experience in the collection of local or municipal government accounts, please include a list of all of those local or municipal governments and include a contact person for each.
- 8) Information on the desired compensation for services.

3.0 Presentations by Contractors

The Town of Superior may ask any Contractor to make an oral presentation and/or demonstration without charge to the Town.

1. Services Requested:

The services to be performed shall include but not be limited to the following:

- 1) Contractor shall undertake collection of delinquent utility accounts that are referred to the Contractor.
- 2) Contractor must have the ability, personnel and resources for collecting in the State of Arizona.
- 3) Perform collection activities including, but not limited to, formally demanding payment of each collection item and/or seeking an arrangement satisfactory to the Town under which the collection item will be paid.
- 4) Collection shall be subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations.
- 5) Contractor must be licensed to do business in its area of expertise in the State of Arizona.
- 6) Contractor shall maintain the appropriate insurance(s) required to perform the respective operation(s) and activities proposed as required by State Statutes and regulations. Each Contractor shall have a minimum of \$1,000,000 in professional liability coverage.
- 7) Contractor shall maintain appropriate records, including financial records that can be audited.
- 8) Contractor shall provide periodic performance reports detailing individual account information.
- 9) Contractor shall not litigate or compromise any undisputed debt for less than its full value.
- 10) Contractor shall submit any disputed amount to the Town for review and research before continuing with the collection process.

11) Contractor shall refer any debt it deems to be collectible through litigation to the Town for authorization to pursue further collection efforts.

12) Contractor shall have sufficient information technology capabilities to provide the Town with detailed and timely reports indicating collection efforts.

13) The Town will review and have final editorial approval of all printed formats of collection notices and telephone scripts used by the Contractor for collection of past due accounts.

1. Contract

1) The content of this RFP, all addenda, and all provisions of the successful proposal deemed pertinent by the Town may be incorporated into a contract and become legally binding.

2) The Town of Superior reserves the right to cancel the contract without cause with a minimum thirty (30) days written notice.

6.0 Right to Audit Records

In the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor shall keep books, records, and accounts of all activities related to the Agreement in compliance with generally accepted accounting procedures. All documents, papers, books, records and accounts made or received by the Contractor in conjunction with the Agreement and the performance of this Agreement shall be open to inspection and shall be retained by the Contractor for a period of three (3) years after termination of this Agreement.

7.0 Evaluation Process

A Selection Committee will evaluate proposals.

In addition to the materials provided in the written responses to this RFP, the Selection Committee may request additional material, information, or references from the Contractor or from others.

8.0 Awards

The Town of Superior reserves the right to award the contract(s) to the Contractor(s) which the Town deems to offer the best overall proposal(s). The Town of Superior is therefore not bound to accept a proposal on the basis of lowest price and further, the Town of Superior has the sole discretion and reserves the right to cancel this RFP, and to reject any and all proposals, to waive any and all informalities and/or irregularities, or to re-advertise with either the identical or revised specifications, if it is deemed to be in the Town of Superior's best interests to do so.

9.0 Incurred Expenses

This RFP does not commit the Town of Superior to award a contract, nor shall it be responsible for any cost or expense which may be incurred by the Contractor in preparing and submitting the proposal called for in this RFP, or any cost or expense incurred by the Contractor prior to the execution of a contract agreement.

10.0 Questions

Questions concerning any portion of this RFP shall be directed via email to Todd Pryor at manager@superioraz.gov or by phone at (520) 689-5752.

11.0 Proposal Closing Date and Time

The original proposal and three (3) copies of the proposal must be received by the Town of Superior no later than 2:00 p.m. EST on December 15, 2017. The proposals will be opened at that time.

12.0 Delivery of Proposals

All proposals shall be sealed and delivered or mailed, with marked envelope(s) to: RFP for Debt Collections Services

Todd Pryor, Town Manager

Town of Superior

199 N. Lobb Ave.

Superior, AZ 85173

SUN Legal 11/29/17, 12/6/17

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(520) 363-5554

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Your outpouring of love and support has provided me with enormous comfort and relief. I am overwhelmed by your kindness and, also, feel the outpouring of love that provides me with the strength to Fight the Fight. #cancersucks

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18. Fitness/Beauty

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20. Help Wanted

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Call 520-385-2266 or 520-363-5554 to place your ad.

The Superior Sun is seeking a part time staff writer/photographer. The position requires a 10 - 15 hour per week commitment. Compensation is hourly. Some evening and weekend hours.

Successful applicant will have some writing background and able to provide samples; a home computer with internet access, and a willingness to look out for photo opportunities. Please send resume and writing samples to JenniferC@minersunbasin.com. No phone calls please.

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(520) 385-2266 & (520) 363-5554 Buy Online: bit.ly/2kcmZaP

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Ask for James

44. Yard Sales

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contents of units 10D
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of back rent, 9 AM,
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45. Misc.

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- **202 5th St.** 5 bdrm 3 bath home with large family room, built in cabinets, block wall, and gorgeous views. \$100,000
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- **112 Park Pl.** 3 Bdrm 1 Ba home with newer kitchen, ceramic tile and carpet flooring, enclosed back patio for laundry. Fenced back yard with great mountain views. **SOLD**
- **312 5th St.** 3 Bdrm 1 3/4 Ba home with great mountain views. Completely remodeled with new kitchen and baths, new flooring, new paint inside and out. Must see! \$112,000
- **908 2nd Ave.** 3 bdrm 1 3/4 bath with enclosed extra room for laundry. Remodeled bathrooms, refrigerator and stove, freshly painted inside. 24' X 24' block garage/workshop. Great views! \$97,500
- **REDUCED - 218 5th St.** Beautiful 3 bdrm 1 3/4 bath with added family room. Completely remodeled with all new kitchen and baths, includes appliances, new paint and ceramic tile flooring. Includes large shed, concrete wall, and workshop. Great views! \$109,900
- **REDUCED - 926 3rd Ave.** 3 bdrm 1 3/4 bath. Move quickly. This home has been completely remodeled, with all new flooring paint, kitchen and baths. Includes appliances. Great buy! \$69,900
- **932 5th Ave.** 4 bdrm 2 bath on large corner lot. Remodeled home with ceramic tile flooring. Includes appliances. Must see! \$102,000
- **635 Webb Dr.** 3 bdrm 1 bath on large corner lot. This home is beautiful. Completely remodeled with new flooring, paint, new kitchen and bath. Appliances included. Block wall. Must see! \$89,900
- **REDUCED - 330 McNab Pkwy.** 4 bdrm 2 ba. home. Previously used as office space. Could be used as home or office. Large corner lot. So much potential here. Must see! \$59,000

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Writing his list and checking it twice: Angel Vasquez Meyer

Angel Vasquez Meyer is asking Santa for a bike this Christmas. His list is not quite complete, and he says he still has to “think about it.” Angel is the five year old son of Brianna Escarsega and Alexis Meyer. He is a kindergartner in Mesa but visits Superior frequently to spend time with his tia’s, tio’s and great-grandparents.

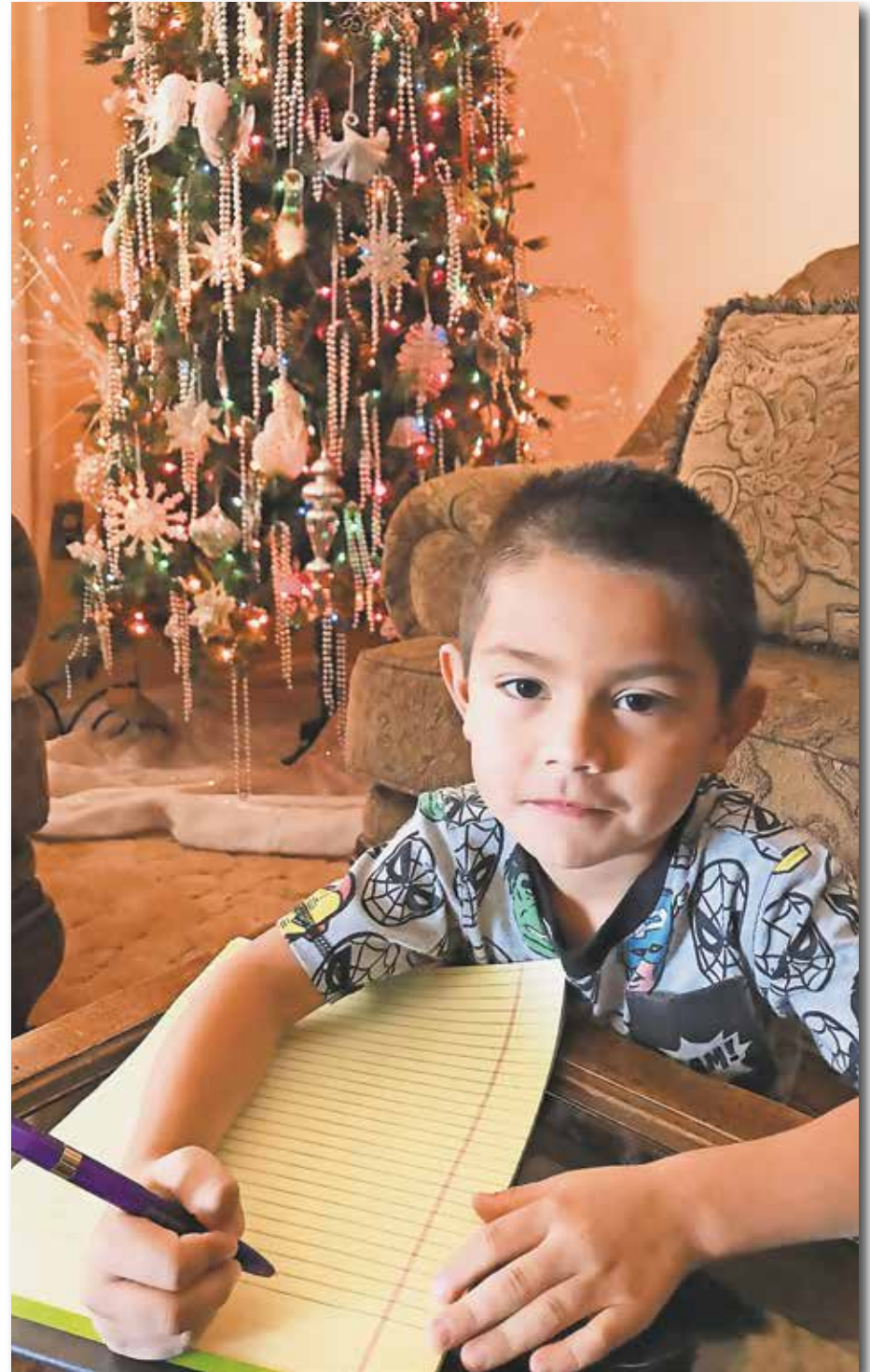
Superior children can mail their wishes to Santa in the special mailbox that can be found at Save Money Market.

Santa has also set up a special email address if you want to send your wishes to him electronically. The email address is santa@minersunbasin.com.

This year, Mr. Claus has given us permission to accept letters through our Facebook page (www.Facebook.com/CopperArea). Just send us a private message (PM) with your child’s letter to Santa. Please be sure to include the town where you live so we can publish it in the right newspaper.

Hurry and get your letters in quickly so they can be forwarded to the North Pole in plenty of time for the big day. The deadline to mail letters in Santa’s special mailbox is Dec. 17. Santa needs time to get all the requests fulfilled.

Letters will be published on Dec. 20.



Angel Vasquez Meyer works on his letter to Santa, listing all his Christmas wishes.
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