

FREE: Take one ... we won't stop you! Really. It's yours if you want it!



John Hernandez | Crier

Oracle plays host to start of annual marathon

Page 6

Oracle Towne Crier

James Carnes.....Publisher
 Jennifer Carnes..... Managing Editor
 Michael Carnes.....General Manager
 John Hernandez.....Reporter
 Nina Crowder.....Reporter
 James Hodl.....Reporter
 Annette Barajas.....Office Manager

Email:

Submissions & Letters: jenniferc@MinerSunBasin.com
 Advertising & Questions: michaelc@MinerSunBasin.com

www.copperarea.com

Find us at Facebook.com/CopperArea
 Follow us at twitter.com/CopperAreaCom

Published the second week of each month. Business office is located at 139 8th Ave, P.O. Box 60, San Manuel, AZ 85631. Subscription rates paid in advance: \$9.00 per year or \$5.00 for 6 months U.S. Change of address should be sent to the publishers at P.O. Box 60, San Manuel, AZ 85631.

Member: Arizona Newspaper Association,
 National Newspaper Association.

Telephone

San Manuel Office: (520) 385-2266
San Manuel Office Fax (520) 385-4666

"There are numerous countries in the world where the politicians have seized absolute power and muzzled the press. There is no country in the world where the press has seized absolute power and muzzled the politicians"
 —David Brinkley

Advertising Information

We have very attractive rates available.
 Please call (520) 385-2266 for more information.



Santa Claus will be ready to listen to children's Christmas wishes Friday at the Oracle Fire Station.

Andrea Justice | Copper Area News

Santa to visit the Oracle Fire Station

On Friday, Dec. 12, Santa Claus will be at the Oracle Fire Station to visit with the kids. He will be arriving by helicopter which has been generously donated by LifeNet EMS. Santa will be landing at the Mountain Vista

School football field around 2 p.m. where he will greet students as he transfers to a fire engine for a ride around town before his arrival at the Oracle Fire station around 4:30 p.m. At the fire station the kids can

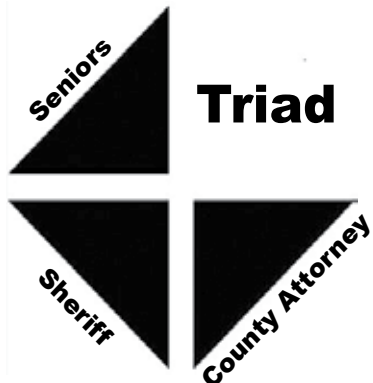
visit with Santa and receive a bag of goodies. Santa will be at the station until 7:30 p.m. before heading back to the North Pole. The entire community is welcome to stop by and visit with Santa.

Oracle TRIAD Coalition

First Wednesday, 3 p.m. • Oracle Fire Department

Education • Information • Resources • Services
Helping the Senior-Elder-Older Adult

TRIAD is a cooperative project composed of seniors, Pinal County Attorney's Office, Pinal County Sheriff's Department, Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens, and other community partners who are dedicated to preventing the victimization of seniors, improving their quality of life and reducing consequences associated with abuse and misuse of prescription medications and alcohol. Community members are welcome. Call to sign up for volunteer opportunities.



DIAPER BAG

Family First Pregnancy Care Center Announces Workshop

Having recently paused for the Thanksgiving holiday, we want to express our deep gratitude to all the people who have donated canned and dry food for the food bank in November. A special thanks to our volunteers who faithfully work in both centers. We also thank those who helped make 2014 our most successful year with your

time, donations, and prayers. Merry Christmas to all and Blessings in the New Year!

Did you know you can reduce your Arizona Tax liability by making an end of the year donation to Family First which qualifies for the Arizona Charitable Organization Tax Credit up

Continued on Page 11



Santa made a stop at Family First Children and Parents Christmas Party which was held at Living Word Chapel.

Call. Switch. Save...up to \$565* a year
 It's easy to switch your home & auto insurance and save money.
 State Farm offers discounts that can lead to big savings right now.



Aaron I Franco, Agent
 16647 N Oracle Road
 Tucson, AZ 85739
 Bus: 520-825-1800 or 520-385-4111
 aaron.franco.qdod@statefarm.com
 In Catalina- Next to the Rec Center



State Farm Insurance Companies • Home Offices: Bloomington, IL • statefarm.com®

PL83 0424

*Average annual per household savings based on a national 2007 survey of new policyholders who reported savings by switching to State Farm.

SaddleBrooke TWO

DESERTVIEW
 Performing Arts Center

39900 S Clubhouse Dr www.dvpac.net 520-825-2818

Friday, December 5 - 7:30 pm & Sunday, December 7 - 4:00pm - SaddleBrooke Singers "Ring the Bells!"



Directed by Linda Griffin, the SaddleBrooke Singers present their annual concert this year entitled "Ring the Bells!" This large chorale, made up of all SaddleBrooke residents, will present a program of songs guaranteed to put you in the spirit of the season and under the spell of your long-lost Holiday memories. The program will include songs of both the secular and sacred varieties; some that will dig deep into your hearts and some that will get your toes tappin'. \$18 inclusive \$20 door

Wednesday, December 10, 2014 - A Swingin' Christmas! 7:30pm. Produced by Lonely Street Productions.

The Holidays wouldn't be complete without our favorite tunes being crooned by Dean Martin, Bing Crosby, The Andrew Sisters, Andy Williams, Nat King Cole and all the legendary artists. Set in the style of a classic television Christmas Special, this concert will put you "In The Mood" with such Yuletide gems as "Happy Holidays," "White Christmas" and many more. Featuring a six-piece swing band and an all-star cast of vocalists, A Patrons of the Arts Event. \$25 inclusive \$30 door



Saturday, December 13, 2014 - The Spirit of Christmas - 4:00pm & 7:30pm

'Tis the season to be dancing, singing and celebrating with the hope, light and love of the Christmas season! Tucson Dance Academy, along with the Booth family, returns to SaddleBrooke with their fabulous performance of The Spirit of Christmas. Showcasing the little ones and their daddy's performing "Santa Baby" to "Mr. Grinch," the audience was on the edge of their seats. Christmas joy was placed in their hearts with tears in their eyes as they were given back the memories along with the gift of Christmas. Join us as we remember Christmas with child-like joy as we welcome Tucson Dance Academy back with two performances this season! \$25 inclusive \$30 door.



Wednesday, December 17 - A Classic Country Christmas - 7:30 pm Produced by Lonely Street Productions. Saturday, January 3, 2015 -

Gather up the family and get set to two-step 'round the Christmas tree as you enjoy the yuletide twang of A Classic Country Christmas! The knee-slappin' production includes perennial holiday hits made famous by Kenny Rogers, Faith Hill, Randy Travis, Loretta Lynn, and more. Join Million Dollar Quartet star/national touring artist **Michael Goodman** and the "The Sweetheart of Branson" **Kaci Bays** as they share classics like "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree," "Hard Candy Christmas" and "Christmas in Dixie." You won't want to miss this evening of family holiday fun! \$25 inclusive \$30 door



Class of '65--Top Hits From the Year 1965 - 4:00 pm & 7:30pm. Produced by Lonely Street Productions.

In this recurring series which highlights the best of Billboard's Top 100 from fifty years ago, this Class of '65 show features such chart-toppers as "Downtown," "I Can't Help Myself," Sugar Pie Honey Bunch," "The Birds and the Bees," "I Got You Babe," "For Your Love," "What's New Pussycat," "King of the Road" and more! \$25 inclusive \$30 door.



Grow your business! Advertise in the Crier!
 Call 520-385-2266 for more information

Who Was Buckskin Frank Leslie?

At Appamattox, General Robert E. Lee handed his sword of surrender to George Armstrong Custer. General Phillip Sheridan purchased the table upon which Lee and Grant had signed the documents outlining the terms of surrender and ended the Civil War. Sheridan presented the table as a gift to Custer for his beautiful wife, Elizabeth "Libby" Bacon Custer. Custer strapped the table to the back of his horse and proudly

marched back home.

To celebrate the end of the bloody conflict which had nearly torn the United States apart, President Lincoln held a formal party at the White House where Abraham Lincoln shook the hand of all the war heroes in attendance, personally thanking them for their role in preserving the Union. There is no record of Lincoln's impression of George Armstrong Custer; the vainglorious military officer who coveted Lincoln's elected position. However, the president was quite captivated by Custer's beautiful, effervescent wife. The president lingered to speak with Libby Custer. It must have painted quite a picture, the tall and lean president; a giant, homely, man bending over to speak with the tiny blushing bride, as beautiful as a ballerina.

"Madam," the president said, "I hear that your husband leads every battle charge, racing out in front of the troops, atop the back of his stallion; and letting loose with a war whoop and a holler."

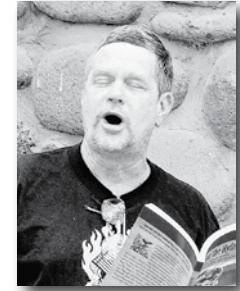
"Yes, sir, he does. He leads every charge." Libby Custer replied, her adoring eyes stealing a glance at her new groom. "And I hope he always will."

"You ma'am," Lincoln said as he held Libby's tiny hand inside his own gigantic paw. "You will make a lovely widow."

Libby Custer did make a lovely widow and transformed herself into a national celebrity in the process. She wrote books about life with her famous and tragic husband. Some of these, such as *Boots and Saddles* went on to become bestsellers and frontier classics. Libby went on tour and spoke regularly to packed auditoriums.

She was not the only one promoting the Custer legacy. Anhuesser Busch commissioned a large lithograph of the battle at the Little Bighorn, with Custer in the center, his sword drawn and gun blazing with his long golden locks waving in the furious breeze. This giant lithograph was given away free as a promotional item and hung in bars and saloons all across the United States. In fact, the lithograph became the second most reproduced print in the United States, trailing only the picture of George Washington which hung in every schoolroom.

A large version of this lithograph hung behind the bar in the Oriental Saloon in Tombstone, Arizona Territory. In the spring of 1880, a train pulled into the depot and Buckskin Frank Leslie disembarked. He strolled across the street and entered the nearest saloon, The Oriental. Buckskin Frank walked through the doors with long blonde hair, drooping moustache, and he was wearing a buckskin



EVERY MAN'S MUSINGS

By Gary Every
Special to the Crier

fringed jacket with yellow braided cavalry pants. He was a dead ringer for the General Custer in the giant lithograph. People looked at Buckskin and then looked at the painting and then looked back again. Buckskin Frank Leslie was hired on the spot as a bartender.

Buckskin Frank walked about atop two inch heels on his boots and always wore fully loaded twin holsters on his hips. He claimed a dangerous and violent past, serving as a scout for General Miles, and as a soldier for Al Sieber during the Apache

Continued on Page 10



Buckskin Frank Leslie



ORACLE INN
STEAKHOUSE



Open 7 days a week • 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Celebrate the New Year with us!

Buy your New Year's Eve tickets today: *Couple \$25 • Single \$15*

Tickets include: live music, party favors, champagne toast & midnight breakfast buffet

**Closed Christmas Eve &
Christmas Day**

**German Weekend at Oracle Inn!
Dec. 12, 13 & 14**

Elvis is back!
Dec. 13 • 4-6 p.m.
In the lounge
No Cover Charge

Use our banquet facilities or let us cater your private parties or events

305 E. American Avenue, Oracle • 520-896-3333 • www.oracleinn.com

Need some answers about Medicare?

Warren J. Myers

Licensed Sales Agent

520-385-4725, TTY 711



Plans are insured through UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company and its affiliated companies, a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in the plan depends on the plan's contract renewal with Medicare.

Y0066_131206_161231 Accepted

1F790BD6

Understanding Heavy Metals

Of the over 100 elements that have been discovered on this planet, humans have toxic interactions with about 20. These are often referred to as heavy metals. Technically speaking a heavy metal is defined as an element that has a specific gravity that is at least five times that of water. Water has a specific gravity of one.

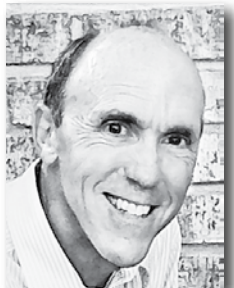
Not all heavy metals are toxic to humans. And, not all metals that are toxic are heavy. Therefore, for this article I will trim the list down to the most common elements considered to be toxic. This list will include aluminum which has a specific gravity of only 2.7 and is therefore not truly heavy, but is none-the-less a concern for humans.

This list of potentially toxic metals will include aluminum, arsenic, cadmium, iron, lead, mercury and uranium. Others of interest include antimony, bismuth, chromium, cobalt, copper, gallium, gold, manganese, nickel, platinum, silver, tellurium, thallium, tin, vanadium and zinc. Like iron, many of these other heavy metals have useful functions in the body. However, in large amounts they can become toxic.

Toxicity is often a matter of the degree of exposure a person experiences coupled with their individual susceptibility. Mercury offers a good illustration of this. First of all, it is a known neuro-toxin. Second, its exposure has been forced upon us through our food sources (fish) and our medical practices (amalgam fillings and vaccines). Third, genetics plays a major role in how rapidly we can rid ourselves of mercury, and other heavy metals. An accumulation of mercury that manifests in neuro-degeneration may lead to a diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis or some other similar neurological illness.

Some people have an abundance of protein with sulfur molecules on them that pull out mercury at each exposure. Those that do not have these sulfur molecules run the risk of accumulating enough mercury to cause nerve damage.

For those individuals that do not have naturally occurring sulfur molecules in



HEALTH ISSUES

By Dr. Michael Miles
Special to the Crier

them, there are supplements that can assist in eliminating the mercury before it reaches toxic levels. Cysteine is a fundamental amino acid that carries a sulfur group with it and is therefore useful in pulling out many heavy metals.

Other methods of ridding the body of heavy metals include chelation treatments; either oral, suppository or intravenous.

I have noticed recently that an increasing number of the population around here have tested high for uranium. I suspected water as the source of this toxin, so I had it tested. The tap water supplying Oracle does in fact test high for uranium, as well as arsenic. Neither of these particular heavy metals is pulled out well with sulfur molecules or conventional chelation methods. Arsenic is best dealt with by supporting the liver's inherent efforts to detoxify the body. Milk thistle is a useful herb to strengthen the liver. It is interesting that a good molecule to pull out uranium is hydroxyapatite. This is a metabolite of bone that is best known for reversing osteoporosis.

Another heavy metal, cadmium, is commonly picked up as one of the thousands of chemicals in modern cigarettes. It can be pulled out of the body with the help of chlorella.

Testing yourself for heavy metals is easy. A simple and accurate way is to analyze a sample of your urine.

Classes Southern Arizona Classes Wing Chun Kung Fu

Wing Chun Kung Fu is a Southern Chinese martial art and an effective method to develop self defense skills that do not rely on size or brute strength. Its effectiveness is a result of developing control of yourself so that your movements become natural, balanced, and smooth. Enabling you to quickly sense and automatically respond in accordance with your opponents actions, to use their own force against them. Sound easy? It takes a lot of practice, but that's where the fun begins!

Instructors (Si-Fu):

- Si-Fu Jim Dees - Studying Wing Chun Gung Fu since 1989.
- Si-Fu Carina Cirrincione - Studying Wing Chun Gung Fu since 1993.

Classes are ongoing. **Ages 18 and older only.** To inquire about class schedule, location (in Oracle), price, and signing up, please call:

Si-Fu Jim Dees 520-270-6981
or Si-Fu Carina Cirrincione 520-896-3225

For more info. visit our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/southernarizonawingchun

EXEDE HIGH SPEED INTERNET

— VIRTUALLY —

UNLIMITED*

BFE, SatComOps, LLC

877-463-2413

Local Dealer

exede
INTERNET

AUTHORIZED RETAILER

*Minimum 24-month service term. Customers who use greater than 150 GBs of data/mo may be contacted and given option to reduce usage or transition to another plan per Bandwidth Usage Policy at www.exede.com/legal. Service for residential and non-commercial use only. Limited time offer.

Tucson Marathon starting line in Oracle



Members of the Oracle Women's Network and other Oracle volunteers staff an aid station at the Tucson Holualoa Marathon Sunday, Dec. 7.

John Hernandez | Copper Area News



Comfort Foods

It is no secret that a major part of the American social scene revolves around food.

Thanksgiving has come and gone. It acts as the official inauguration of the Holiday Season including Christmas, Hanukkah, New Year's Eve and more. Special meals and sweets are consumed during this time of festivities and some of us find it difficult to maintain our ideal body shape and size.

Many friends will indulge in overeating with the promise to "go on a diet" right after the New Year.

Handwriting analysis can be a useful indicator of who might be most at risk for gaining weight, not just during the holidays, but throughout the year.

Persons whose writing style is formed with a wide ductus usually act in response to sensual stimulus. This includes eating and drinking as well as music appreciation, an eye for visual arts and the likes. The wide-line writer has trouble resisting temptation and will take another helping of their favorite food items. They are the gourmets among us. They savor the taste and then store it in their memory.

Wine connoisseurs in particular are gifted with a rare talent of recalling flavor, body and aroma of certain vintages.

If the writing ductus is wide and includes heavy pen pressure, we might be looking at an eating disorder in some writers and gluttony in others.

Free meals are offered as a reliable way to attract consumers. Free lunches, although we are told there is no such thing, are offered by tax attorneys and other professionals trying to lure the public into listening to their sales pitch and buying their services. And let's not forget the people who jokingly refer to "having lunch at Costco" where food samples are abundant throughout the store, especially during the holiday season.

The fine line writer whose pen or pencil barely touches the paper is not likely to overindulge in general. This type of person will eat food for sustenance rather than for taste. Such individuals are able to move through life without carrying the burden of emotional memory. They forgive and forget trespasses and usually they do not hold grudges. They are not weighed-down



HANDWRITING ROCKS!

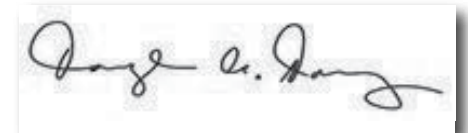
By Skylar Khan
Special to the Crier

by bad eating habits or overly negative feelings.

On the other hand, writers whose ductus is wide and heavy not only indulge in the pleasure of consumption but they also retain an enormous array of memories associated with their experience of enjoyment, pain and hurt. If such persons feel they have been wronged, they will not be able to shake off their resentment or dislike because of the buried feelings that may resurface at any time, at the slightest provocation.

The norm would be found in individuals whose handwriting shows the pen pressure and ductus to be in between heavy and light extremes. This would be a person who is thought to get some measure of pleasure from food and drink, who indulges once in a while, but who is usually able to control their intake as well as their emotional expressions.

A good example of this might be viewed in the signature below.



Ductus and pen pressure are rated to be somewhere between heavy and light. Ductus remains consistently pasty and threaded throughout the name. The fact that the person was a franchisor of ice cream stores does not surprise, but rather confirms his penchant for sweet things.

The initial large D is thought to be representative of imagination and

Continued on Page 9

tan • gi • ble

adj.

1 capable of being touched

2 evident; real; existing

Print is not dead. Print resonates. Print is tangible.

The *Oracle Towne Crier* tells stories ... every issue introduces readers to people, places, businesses and organizations that are exemplary, innovative, exciting ... that make a difference in our community.

The *Crier* is more than a list of breaking headlines. We take the time to explore the story behind the headline and share how it affects the community.

Advertising in the *Crier*, tells our readers, YOUR customers, that you care about the community and want the positive stories told about its residents and its amazing students. Readers can see and touch your ad, which communicates your message and community support.

Grow your business in the pages of the *Oracle Towne Crier*.

Build Community!

Be part of the conversation!

Call (520) 385-2266 to learn how we can help!

CROSSWORD

The Holidays

ACROSS

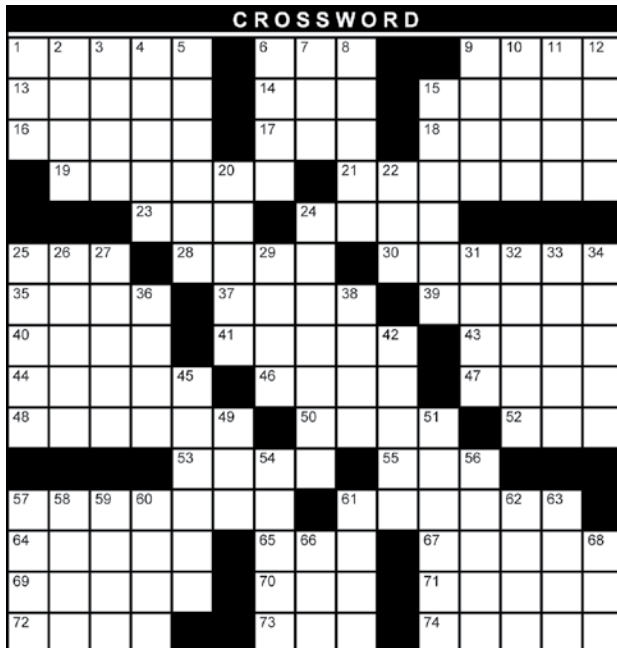
1. It's played with a ball
6. "What's Up, ___?" starring Barbra Streisand
9. Hurry up!
13. D-Day beach
14. Greek R
15. Swap meet deal?
16. Thai restaurant chicken staple
17. Down Under runner
18. Make reference to
19. *Disgruntled TV elf
21. *It's under the tree?
23. Pérignon's honorific
24. Swarm
25. De Niro's 1976 ride
28. *Kind of Holiday list
30. "___ _____, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, good night"
35. In bed
37. "Cinema Paradiso" roll
39. The relative magnitudes of two

- quantities
40. Intense anger
 41. Material used by one of three little pigs
 43. Hahn or von Bismark
 44. Eyes or optics
 46. Used in hunting
 47. Series of reps, pl.
 48. To make lame
 50. "Moonlight Sonata," e.g.
 52. Bread type
 53. Sleep in a convenient place
 55. French lake
 57. *Used during Hanukkah
 61. *Season of four Sundays before Christmas
 64. Legal excuse
 65. Shoemaker's tool
 67. "The _____" by Dostoyevsky
 69. Capital of Tunisia

70. Pied Piper follower
71. Mother-of-pearl
72. Strip of wood
73. Head ___ at a country club
74. *Color of most Christmas trees

DOWN

1. Trigonometry abbr.
2. Nanjing nanny
3. London art museum
4. Swiss leafy green
5. Barn loft
6. Squirrel's nest
7. Unit of electrical resistance
8. Two-door car
9. Bellicose deity, Greek
10. Goes with sound?
11. Yemeni port
12. Lively
15. Seismic shake
20. Middle Eastern V.I.P.'s
22. Hi-___
24. Winter flask
25. *"A Christmas _____"
26. Manila hemp
27. Muslim woman of high rank
29. "___ _ good example"
31. Vientiane location
32. Weasel's aquatic cousin
33. _____-gritty
34. *A traditional holiday main course
36. Sub station
38. *Kitschy prop in "A Christmas Story"
42. Expressing a desire
45. Madagascar lemurs
49. India's smallest state
51. "_____ Private Ryan"
54. Like a cheddar variety
56. An aromatic wood
57. Welcome _____, pl.
58. Twelfth month of Jewish civil year
59. Fashion house founder Ricci
60. One's final notice
61. The lowest female voice
62. *Elf on the Shelf's report
63. Ripped
66. "What is it good for? Absolutely nothin'!"
68. Face cards are counted as this in Blackjack



Solution to last month's puzzle



ACTOS?

If you have been taking ACTOS (Pioglitazone) and have been diagnosed with

Bladder Cancer

or are experiencing the following symptoms:

Blood in Urine, Urinary Urgency, Pain in Urination, Back or Abdominal Pain

Call us immediately at 877.369.8800, as you may have a legal claim.

Your personal, professional consultation is FREE

Moeller Law Office
3433 E. Fort Lowell, Ste 105
Tucson, AZ 85716

While this firm maintains joint responsibility, most cases are referred to other attorneys for principal responsibility.

WIN \$2,000

How would you spend it?



2 tickets to fly



645 gallons of gas



1.6 ounces of gold



3 smart phones



816 cups of coffee



1 handbag

Enter to Win at:
www.pulsepoll.com

Survey Code:
140

No Purchase Necessary

Pulse Research

dish

Make the Switch to Dish Today and Save Up To 50%

Call Now and Ask How!

1-800-318-5121

Call 7 days a week 8am - 11pm EST Promo Code: MB0113

Promotional Packages starting at only...
\$1999 mo.
 for 12 months

FREE

PREMIUM MOVIE CHANNELS*

For 3 months.

HBO

SHOWTIME

CINEMAX

starcz

dish

*Offer subject to change based on premium channel availability

Big changes for the Oracle School District

By Dennis Blauser
Superintendent

The Oracle School District is very excited about several key projects designed to provide a higher quality, more positive learning environment for its students. The Oracle School District administration and governing board has worked hard to maximize its limited financial resources. Through careful planning, the district has been able to move forward with several projects that will both increase efficiency and create a more attractive educational facility that students, parents and staff can be proud of. One of the biggest changes was moving the pre-school and kindergarten to the Mountain Vista Campus which included the creation of a beautiful new pre-school facility. This move, which included a new early childhood curriculum, saves the district upwards of \$30,000 per year and allows for a more seamless pre-kindergarten through eighth grade academic experience for students.

By the end of December, the district will have completed several key concrete improvements. Expanded student seating at the outdoor basketball facility will be accomplished by terracing off a badly eroded hillside and

installing concrete multi-purpose bleachers. A full sized volleyball court, partially funded by donations, will provide more activities for the fifth through eighth grade students. The district will also be installing a concrete "trike track" for its pre-school students. Here is an example of what parents think about the district's progress. Parent Teacher Organization officer and longtime district advocate Brenda Garcia could not be more happy with the aggressive and positive changes. Garcia had this to say about the changes, "As a parent I am thrilled that the district and governing board is being so proactive in moving our small district forward. Our kids need and deserve nice facilities."

Additionally, the Oracle School District has made a concentrated effort to shift its precious water resources to areas that are directly used by the students. Grass in non-student use areas is being replaced by low water landscaping allowing for big improvements in Mountain Vista's athletic field facilities. A two year irrigation project is now complete which means that all of the playing fields will be green and ready for use by the physical education department and athletic teams this spring. Also happening this spring will be the grand opening of the volunteer funded and constructed restroom and concession facility centrally located in the



Dennis Blauser, Superintendent of Oracle Schools
John Hernandez | Crier

athletic field complex. All of these exciting changes would not be possible without our dedicated and hardworking staff that is never afraid to dream big.

HANDWRITING

Continued from Page 6

elaboration of past events. Emphasis is on security rather than optimism.

The angled lead-in stroke of the second D shows that he is on guard against intrusion and/or exploitation. However, the tiny break between D and u is a sign of intuition, a useful trait to rely on during unexpected incidences. Both lower zone loops of the letters g and y are proportionately reduced in height. The person will confine his innermost thoughts to a mere handful of trusted friends and colleagues.

The ductus and line quality itself reveals to us that the man has developed strong likes and dislikes with an appreciation for the better things life has to offer. It might be said that those who seek a favor from this man should ask only after he has enjoyed a good meal and not on an empty stomach.

Individuals who have developed an appreciation for creature comforts tend to be more generous than those who deny themselves every conceivable pleasure in order to maintain structure and discipline.

So let us enjoy all aspects of the holiday festivities. Remember, an extra helping now and then is good for the soul. We never know what tomorrow brings. To quote Eleanor Roosevelt "The freedom of man, I contend, is the freedom to eat."

Neck & Back Pain Relief Dr. John P. Huntington, D.C.

Short Term Care for Your:

- Back & Neck Pain
- Shoulder, Hip and Knee Pain
- Sport/Golf Injuries

Medicare, Other Insurance Accepted

Oracle 520.896.9844

PUBLIC AUCTION

PHOENIX MONTHLY AUCTION @ 8AM
3570 NW GRAND AVENUE • PHOENIX, AZ 85019

SATURDAY DECEMBER 13TH

Preview: Friday, December 12th 8am-5pm. Doors open at 7am morning of sale

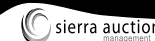
Repo • Seized • Government

AUCTIONS INCLUDE:

2006 Toyota Sienna • 2010 Chevy Traverse • 1994 Chevy Camaro
2003 Chevy Utility Truck • 1998 Volvo/White Mobil Concrete Mixer • Ford Shuttle Buses
• 300+ Firearms • Coins & Jewelry • Electronics • Computers
Audio, Household Items, Jewelry, Tools, Painting, Clothing, Medical Equipment,
Furniture, Appliances & More. Including Maricopa & Pendergast School District Surplus and More!

LIVE ONLINE BIDDING AT SIERRA AUCTION.COM

Phoenix: 602.242.7121



Buckle up.
We'd hate to meet you by accident.



What's the rush? We'll be there when you really need us.

VISTOSO
FUNERAL HOME

2285 E. Rancho Vistoso Blvd.
Oro Valley
(520) 544-2285
vistosofuneralhome.com
Family Owned and Operated

Subscribe to our website and view
the newspapers BEFORE they hit the
stand. copperarea.com

FRANK LESLIE

Continued from Page 4

wars. He also claimed to have killed fourteen men. The only problem is that the only evidence was Buckskin Frank's own braggadocio – nothing can be proven or disproven. We do know for certain that Buckskin Frank Leslie was skilled at handling his revolvers.

The handsome bartender soon began a romance with the beautiful Mary Killeen. The only problem was Mary was still wed to Mike Killeen. The cuckold confronted Buckskin Frank and his wife while they were sitting on a porch swing with a friend. Conflicting testimony causes confusion about what happened next but the end

result was that Mike Killeen was dead and Mrs. Mary Killeen became Mrs. Leslie. The romance would not last.

When Buckskin Frank wanted to get romantic his favorite form of foreplay involved getting Mary to stand in various poses against the wall, whereupon Buckskin Frank would use his guns to outline her fine feminine form, drawing in the silhouette with bullets. Terrified, Mary filed for divorce and a court of law ruled this was a pretty good reason. After the married couple went their separate ways their former landlord charged five cents each to tour the room and look at the

bullet hole silhouettes.

Buskin Frank was rumored to have taken part in several stagecoach robberies. In 1882, an altercation in the bar ended with Buckskin Frank killing Billy Clairborne. A jury ruled our favorite bartender had acted in self-defense. In July of 1889, Buckskin Frank was "drying out" from a drinking problem, staying at a ranch in the Swisshelm Mountains with a pretty blonde named Molly Williams. Buckskin Frank became jealous of attention Molly was giving to a young ranch hand named James Neal and shot them both. Molly died, and while Buckskin Frank believed he had killed James Neal, the young man survived two bullet wounds to testify at the

trial. Buckskin Frank was found guilty and sentenced to 25 years in Yuma Territorial Prison.

In 1893, Buckskin Frank was given a pardon and left for California where he spent the next several decades tending bar. In 1924, the manager of a San Francisco pool hall reported the sudden departure of an employee believed to have been Buckskin Frank along with a stolen revolver. The pool hall manager gave the serial number of the stolen gun to the police. Three years later the skeleton of an old man was found in a remote canyon outside the town of Martinez beside a rusted revolver which bore the same serial number.



REALTOR

OLH ORACLE LAND & HOMES



EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

ORACLE OFFICE 1812 W. American Ave. • 896-9099 hv@olhoracle.com • www.OLHoracle.com Se habla Español

HELEN VINSON, BROKER, 400-0242

• AGENTS •

BONNIE BUSHEY, 487-9211

THERESA TROOP, 400-8292

DIANE ESTRADA, 419-6888

GREG CURTIS, 241-0712

ROBIN SUPALLA, 256-1036

TRICIA HAWKINS, 520-400-1897



551 N. OAKCLIFFE CT. MLS#: 21404935

Unobstructed views. Wood block island, copper lights, Kitchen Aid 6 burners professional gas range with electric oven and a vent-a-hood. Kitchen Aid refrigerator is counter depth with a bottom freezer, built in microwave, open floor plan with lots of natural light; a cook and entertainers dream. Enclosed AZ room, stained concrete/ brick floors, ceiling fans, upgraded throughout. Turnkey! Free standing workshop/ storage room with electric built with permits, custom patio Ramada 14x14, rain catching system. \$297,500



1950 E MT LEMMON HWY MLS#: 21408191

Oracle charmer on 1.78ac of solitude at 4500 ft. Covered in Oaks with views of boulders and the distant mountain ranges. Yard offers several different areas to relax and enjoy Oracle's afternoons and stary nights. Rock work flows throughout the landscaping offering you rocked flower beds, covered porch, lounging area with covered Ramada, fire pit for the perfect cookout. Storage bldg, green house w/ solar power system. Self contained water harvesting system with three 1200 gal storage tanks. Many more attributes add to this energy efficient home. Need to see so your own creative vision can take over. \$195,000

Oracle Listings - Homes

- Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2 bath on 1.05 acres with A/C and a beautiful oak covered private yard. \$214,999
- 3 bedroom, 2 bath manufactured home on 1.25 acres. \$64,500
- Completely remodeled 4 bedroom, 2 bath in Oracle. \$149,900
- Great views, 2832 sqft, 3 bedroom, 4 bath, open kitchen with storage island, pantry, 3 stall horse barn with concrete floors with electric and hay storage, tack room, 3.32 ac. \$375,000
- Beautifully finished custom Santa Fe, over \$150,000 in upgrades, guest quarters, 12' high ceilings, granite counters, 3 car garage, 1.27 ac. \$415,000
- Amazing 2223 sqft 4 bedroom, 2 bath, open floor plan, bonus room off kitchen, screened in porch on 1.37 acres. \$275,000
- Very cozy home with two fireplaces and guesthouse on almost half an acre! 2 bdrm, 2 ba. \$160,000
- Oracle Charmer on 1.78 acres, 3 bed, 1 bath covered in oaks. \$195,000
- Immaculate home feels like new! Hilltop location, incredible mountain views & sunsets. 1867 sq ft. 3 bed, 2 bath, open floor plan. \$219,900
- Great views, dream kitchen with 6 burner professional gas range with electric oven and much more, a cook and entertainers dream, open floorplan with lots of natural light, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1989 sq. ft. with enclosed Arizona Room. \$297,500.
- Mountain views 4 bed, 2 1/2 bath, 2,404 sq. ft. plus a 1,244 sq.ft. basement, 34 x 27 detached garage on 6.85 ac. \$449,000.
- Charming 3 bed, 2 bath home with 2 car garage on large private lot, new ceramic tile, new stove, microwave & dishwasher. \$145,000
- 3 bedroom, 2 bath spacious living area, tile floor & fenced backyard. \$132,000

Oracle-Land

- 1.04 ac premium lot, custom home area, views, views views! \$59,000.
- 2 - 1.25 ac of Oracle Ranch Rd, \$55,900 or \$49,900 property line is shared and can be combined to a 2.5 ac.
- Sunset Point 69 acres \$48,900
- 3 Lots off La Mariposa, custom home area, unobstructed views of the Catalinas. \$47,500 - .97 ac, \$59,000 - 1.04 ac, \$69,900 - 1.38 ac.
- Rare 40 ac parcel, elevation at 4800 ft offers cool summers, own private well and electric at property line, borders State land, owner carry considered, \$289,000 or 20 ac with well for \$170,000.
- Double Lot 1.66 & 1.26 off Linda Vista. 2 Great parcels to choose from. Owner will carry with just 10% down. Build your dream home on one of these two lots. Paved road. Homes only area. Utilities at or near the lot line. \$85,000.
- Great Investment! 10 ac, can be split, electric in the road. Great views! \$79,900
- 3.3 ac hilltop in custom homes only area, views in all directions.
- Commercial Building on .26 acre on American Ave., Oracle. \$55,000
- .67 & .52 acre commercial lots on American Ave., Oracle. \$79,000 each
- .18 acre commercial lot on American Ave. with .27 acre GR lot behind it. Both for \$55,000

San Manuel

- Lovely 3 bdrm, 1 bath with like new cabinets, carpet & upgraded appliances. Must see! \$71,900.
- DRASTICALLY REDUCED - Charming home on 40 AC home and well is solar powered, beautiful views, horse property, can be split. \$249,900.

Surrounding Area

- Great mountain views from this 3.75 ac. south of Mammoth. \$39,000.
- Great lot for MH or site built homes, located 10 mi. from Oracle Jct, 3.34 acres, very affordable with electric at lot line. horses allowed. \$29,900
- 3 bedroom, 2 bath on corner lot, fenced \$16,900.
- 2 view lots, city water, sewer, paved roads, make an offer on both lots, and owner will make you a deal. \$7,000 each.
- Beautiful views of the Galiuro Mountains, lots of vegetation & large Saguaros. \$10,000
- 4 lots with great mountain views, lots range from .34 to .60 ac. Lot 2 is \$12,500, other lots are \$14,500.
- .84 ac, can be split, has two building sites, saguaro and view. \$99,000
- Secluded area with great views, being sold as is for value of 1.3 acres. \$39,000.
- 2 large buildings, 6,400 sq. ft., living quarters, office space, bathrooms, enclosed patios. \$75,000
- 3-lots to choose from. Hill top views shared well, horse property, leveled off areas for home sites. Two lots \$50,000 each & one lot \$70,000.



SUN LIFE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER

Family Care by Your Medical Team at Sun Life Family Practice in Oracle

Ted Crawford, DO & Ruth Seppala, FNP
Welcoming patients of All Ages



520-896-2092 Monday - Friday - 8:00am - 5:00pm

1870 W. American Way, Oracle

Accepting Most Major Insurance- AHCCCS - Medicare

No Health Insurance? We can help!

Are you a victim of domestic abuse? Safe Journey House can help.

855-385-4970 (toll free)

DIAPER BAG

Continued from Page 3

to \$200 for individuals and \$400 for a married couple filing jointly. This gift must be received before Dec. 31 to qualify. Changes in the law this year: Use EZ form to receive your credit!

New volunteers are always welcome, if interested this would be a great time to get started. On Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015, there will be a Volunteer Workshop from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided. A workshop will be presented on Love and Respect. If you care about



Family First is so proud of Tamara Cano for sponsoring a food drive at Mountain Vista School for the Tri-Community Food Bank. Great Job and thank you for all the food that was donated.

people and want to help, this would be a great way to start the New Year.

Our center activities continue Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in Oracle from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Story Time for moms and tots is every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. Material assistance is available by taking a class. Our new curriculums for improving better parenting skills for fathers and for parents with toddlers are proving very helpful.

For further information on our services or to sign up for the workshop, call us at 520-896-9545 or check us out at www.familyfirstpcc.org.

FARM EQUIPMENT CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

December 16, 2014 - Tuesday - 10:00AM
10401 S. 511th Ave. - Tonopah, AZ (Harquahala)
12 Miles South of I-10, Exit 81
Tonopah (Phoenix, Arizona)

South on Harquahala Valley Road - to Dobbins and East on Dobbins to Auction Site. *LOOK FOR ORANGE FLAGS!*

JD 8230 MFWD Tractor:

(SN: 015902-Newly Rebuilt Engine/Trans)

JD 5520 MFWD Tractor: (SN: LV55205453387, 6800 hrs.)

JD 7930 Tractor: (SN: RW7930D003111, 9554 hrs.)

JD 6415 Tractor: (SN: L06415D518197, 1649 hrs.)

JD 4640 Power Shift 4 Post Tractor: (SN: 016125R)

JD 4440 Power Shift 4 Post Tractor: (SN: 043921R)

JD 7220 MFWD Tractor: (SN: RW7220M035507, 9900 hrs.)

Implements, Hay Equipment, Vehicles and Much, Much More!

For further information contact:

Charles F. Dickerson, Inc., International Auctioneers

Office: 575-526-1106, Cell: 575-644-7445

E-mail: charles@cfdauction.com

Photos/List/WebPage: www.cfdauction.com

CLASSIFIED

(520) 385-2266



Non-commercial word ads are free for items up to \$500. Free ads limited to 20 words. * If your ad is more than 20 words, the charge is \$5 for another 10 words. **

All commercial ads are \$5.00 for 10 words.**

* Rates are per month. Free ads must be resubmitted each month for inclusion.

*Please note, ads are charged in 10 word increments whether or not you use all 10 words.

Adoption

ADOPTION: LOVING family promises your baby a joy-filled home and the best life. Expenses paid. Jen & Greg, 1-888-449-0803. (AzCAN)

Financial Services

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS. Unable to work? Denied benefits? We can help! WIN or pay nothing! Contact Bill Gordon & Associates at 1-800-960-3595 to start your application today! (AzCAN)

Help Wanted

ADVERTISE YOUR JOB Opening in 79 AZ newspapers. Reach over 2 million readers for ONLY \$330! Call this newspaper or visit: www.classifiedarizona.com. (AzCAN)

ELECTRICIAN CAREERS U.S. NAVY. Paid training, financial security, medical/dental, vacation, retirement. HS grads ages 17-34. Call Mon-Fri (800)354-9627. Email: Jobs_Phoenix@navy.mil. (AzCAN)

DRIVER TRAINEES NEEDED in Phoenix! Become a driver for Werner Enterprises! NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED! CDL training in Phoenix! 1-888-512-7114. (AzCAN)

CDL-A Truck Drivers. Great hometime. Get paid daily or weekly. Consistent miles. Pay incentive & benefits! Become a Knight of the Road. 855-876-6079 Knight Refrigerated. (AzCAN)

Place your ad today! Call

520-385-2266

Instruction

MEDICAL OFFICE TRAINEES NEEDED! Train to become a Medical Office Assistant. No experience needed! Online training can get you job ready! HS Diploma/GED & PC/Internet needed. 1-888-926-6058. (AzCAN)

AIRLINE CAREERS begin here. Get FAA approved Aviation Technician training. Financial Aid for qualified students. Job placement assistance. CALL Aviation Institute of Maintenance 866-314-5370. (AzCAN)

PERSONAL TRAINING & FITNESS INSTRUCTORS Candidates needed for certification program. CLASSES BEGIN SOON! Call for details, qualifications & grant information. 1-888-512-7117. (AzCAN)

Miscellaneous

DISH TV Retailer. SAVE! Starting at \$19.99/month (for 12 mos.) FREE Premium Movie Channels. FREE equipment, Installation & Activation. CALL, COMPARE LOCAL DEALS! 1-800-318-1693. (AzCAN)
 DirecTV: Over \$636.00 in savings, Free Upgrade to Genie & 2014 NFL Sunday Ticket included at no charge. \$29.99 month! Call Now 1-800-607-6909. (AzCAN)

Real Estate

►General Real Estate ADVERTISE YOUR HOME, property or business for sale in 79 AZ newspapers. Reach over 2 million readers for ONLY \$330! Call this newspaper or visit: www.classifiedarizona.com. (AzCAN)

Subscribe to our website and view the newspapers BEFORE they hit the stand. copperarea.com

ORACLE CHURCH DIRECTORY

Assembly of God
1145 Robles Rd., Oracle

Pastor Nathan Hogan
520-896-2408

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.

Oracle Union Church
705 E. American Ave., Oracle

Pastor Dr. Ed Nelson
520-784-1868

Sunday Bible Study 9 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study Noon
Thursday Prayer Time 11 a.m. to Noon

Oracle Church of Christ
2425 El Paseo, Oracle

Fred Patterson
896-2452 • 896-2067

Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Oracle Seventh-Day Adventist Church
2150 Hwy 77, Oracle

Pastor Rick Roy

Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.
Saturday Worship Service 11 a.m.

Living Word Chapel
3941 W. Hwy. 77, Oracle

Pastor James Ruiz
896-2771 • www.lwcoracle.org

Saturday Youth Service 6 p.m. (except 5th Sat.)
Sunday 1st Service 9 a.m. • Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday 2nd Service 11 a.m.
Children & Youth Classes Available for Both Services

To be included in the monthly church listing, call the Crier at 520-385-2266.

Holiday Gifts and Art Market in Oracle

By **John Hernandez**
Oracle Towne Crier

In a white cottage that was brought to Oracle from the old mining town of Tiger, a group of artists have set up their unique handcrafted art and wares for the shopping public. The charming cottage has been fixed up and the four rooms are filled with original artwork from 12 Oracle artists. Everything from holiday theme cards, jewelry, ornaments, garden art, ceramics, paintings and much more are available at reasonable prices. Many items are priced under \$15.

The Holiday Gifts and Art Market will be open 15 days in December for your shopping pleasure. They are open Wednesdays through Sundays on Dec. 10-14, 17-21 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

The 12 participating artists are Jill Caid, Susie Cochran, Anna Marie Martin, Alicia



Artists Val Bembenek and Susie Cochran at the cottage.

John Hernandez | Crier

Bristow, Allison Griffin, Sharon Holnback, Laurel Roth, Elvia Schwenke, Carolann Small, Judy Walsh, Susan Daigneault and Val Bembenek.

The Holiday Gifts and Art Market is located at 35 W. American Ave. just west of St. Helen's Catholic Church.

Minding their manners at MVS



The first quarter of the 2014-15 school year has passed and it is time to announce the Pride of Our Pride winners. Mrs. Dedrick's 4th grade class was the best of the best this quarter, keeping 37 of 43 paws. Way to use your pleases and thank yous, kids! Keep up the fantastic work.



Deck the Halls! Bring the Goose Home for the Holidays!

Bring in this coupon for
20% off
any one regularly priced item*

*Excluding Jewelry and Vintage Antiques & Collectibles.
Coupon expires 12/31/14 C1210

15970 N. Oracle Rd., Catalina, AZ

**Winner – 2014 Rural Small Business
of the Year & 2014 Innovation in the
Workplace/Community Impact Awards**

The Golden Goose Thrift Shop is a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization.

**Open: Tues-Fri 10am to 2pm
& Sat 9am to 2pm**
**Donations Accepted: Mon-
Sat 8am to 3pm**

GoldenGooseAZ.com
520-825-9101



Catering
Available

DINNER FOR 2 SPECIAL – CHICKEN LIMONE
Sautéed chicken breast on a bed of linguine tossed with a lemon cream sauce. Includes bottle of vino, tossed salad, garlic bread.

\$29.99

Valid 12/10/14 - 12/14/14. Not valid with any other coupons.

Nonna Maria's
Pizzeria
& *Ristorante*

2161 Rockliffe Blvd., Oracle

Hours: Tues-Thurs 11am 'til 9pm,
Fri. & Sat. 11am 'til 10pm, Sun. 11am 'til 9pm
CLOSED Mondays

(520) 896-3522

Find us on:

