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PCSO is asking for help from the public to identify sexual assault suspects

On Sunday, Dec. 15, 2013, the Pinal County Sheriff's Office investigated a reported sexual assault. The 34-year-old female victim reported that she was abducted from the front porch of her residence in Oracle at approximately 2 a.m. She was grabbed by two white male suspects who dragged her to a black pickup truck which was then driven by a third white male suspect.

The victim reported she was thrown into the bed of the pickup truck, held down and then driven to an unknown desert location, where she was brutally sexually assaulted by each suspect.

After the sexual assault, the victim was left in the desert. The victim walked until she was able to obtain assistance from a jogger, who contacted the Pinal County Sheriff's Office. Deputies immediately responded and began the investigation until it was turned over to detectives from our Criminal Investigation Bureau.

The victim said all three suspects were between 30 and 40 years old. The first suspect is described as a white male, chubby, wearing a red long sleeve shirt and blue jeans; suspect number two is described as having a medium build with a mustache, was wearing a light blue t-shirt with blue jeans and New Balance athletic shoes; suspect number three was described as having a medium build, wearing jogging clothes, described as a Nike brand jacket, with a reflective swoosh emblem.

The victim received severe injuries as a result of the attack and sexual assaults. She was transported to a Tucson area hospital as a result of her injuries.

"We are asking for help from the public to identify the suspects responsible for this brutal attack," said Pinal County Sheriff Paul Babeu. "If you have any information about this crime or think you know who the suspects might be we are asking that you call our Criminal Investigation Bureau at 520-866-5149 or if after hours please call our Dispatch at 520-866-5111."

Sheriff's Report

The Pinal County Sheriff's Report is taken from the daily logs, based on the information provided by deputies. All persons arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Dec. 6

Criminal damage was reported in the 39000 block of S. Mountain Shadow Dr., Eagle Crest. A mailbox was damaged.

What was first reported as a burglary in the 200 block of E. Fifth St., San Manuel, was later determined to be a hit and run accident. The APS power pole at the corner of Fifth St. and Avenue C was knocked over. A second report of reckless driving was received on the same accident. The vehicle was described as a 2004 Honda CRV. A fire hydrant was also damaged in the incident. The driver, identified as Samuel David Riney, 22, San Manuel, was arrested on warrants for failure to appear and interfering with judicial proceedings issued out of the Oracle Justice Court. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail in Florence. He was also cited for driving on a suspended license, failure to control speed to avoid a collision, criminal damage, leaving the scene of an accident and no current insurance.

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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.

Seniors

Triad

Sheriff

County Attorney

Mammoth Police Report

According to state law, there are two methods by which police may arrest suspected offenders. The suspect may be physically taken into the department and booked into jail, or the arresting officer may write a citation and release the suspect to appear in court later. All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Only criminal citations are listed. All damages are estimates.

Items for this report are submitted by the Mammoth Police Department and reflect information available at the time of the report.

Nov. 27

A woman reported that her neighbor is piling up junk in her yard by her fence. She wanted to advise the Police Department and wanted it on record.

A fire was reported in the 100 block of S. Church. Fire was put out. Resident suffered burn on his shoulder.

Nov. 28

A fire was reported on Main Street. Reporting party said her oven was on fire.

Nov. 29

Traffic stop resulted in Cynthia Caldera being arrested on a warrant out of Florence.

A complaint was received about a man driving a 4-wheeler at all hours of the night.

Dec. 1

Report that an antique fire siren went missing two weeks ago in the 15000 block of N. Highway 77. Reporting party said the siren can be seen on the internet.

Dec. 2

Officers were asked to respond to the Food Bank. Someone has been dumping trash into the food Banks garbage cans. Mail was found in the trash with the suspect's address. Police talked to the person involved and the lady was told not to dump her trash there anymore.

Officers received a report of a maroon colored older model Chevy passenger vehicle with a missing brake light heading north from Oracle on Highway 77. The vehicle is all over the road and passing unsafely.

Other calls not listed include: Fire Alarms cleared – 5, House/Welfare Checks – 1, and Medical Assists – 7.

Dec. 6

Reported fire in a dumpster at the High School in San

Manuel. San Manuel Fire Department responded and put the fire out.

San Manuel fire Department was contacted to respond to a vehicle on fire on the back road (Webb Avenue) to Oracle. Engine responded and fire was extinguished.

Dec. 9

Report of an attempted telephone fraud/scam.

Mammoth Fire Department responded to a possible gas leak.

Other calls not reported included: Fire/Security Alarms cleared – 6, Fingerprints 5, House/Welfare Checks – 2, Fire calls - 3, Loud Music – 1, Animal Calls – 1 and Medical Assists – 10.

Obituary

Terry Wayne Mahurin

Terry Wayne Mahurin passed away Nov. 28. He was born in 1962, and, had lived in San Manuel during his younger years. Memorial services were held Dec. 12, and, burial was at Evergreen Cemetery in Tucson.

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Off the Shelf ... Cookie decorating at the Library



Getting into the spirit of the holiday with cookie decorating at the SM Library. (File photo)

**By Chaille McGrew
San Manuel Library
Chairperson**

Christmas fun for children!!! San Manuel Library is once again sponsoring the annual CHRISTMAS COOKIE DECORATING Activity for children (up to 12 years old) on Monday, December 23 from 1 to 3 pm at the BHP Conference Center across the street from the library. Everything will be provided. Parents and/or caretakers are encouraged to attend with the children. This is a great way to kick off the holiday season.

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Oracle Ridge staff gives to Zachary's swimming pool

By John Hernandez

Copper Area News

Zachary Bryant turns six years old this month.

He has had a tough life so far. His biological father died when he was one year old, a tough enough beginning.

But in January 2013, Zachary was diagnosed with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. This disease results in muscular degeneration and eventual death. Doctors have told the family there is no known cure and labeled the disease "terminal."

Statistically children diagnosed with this disease will be in a wheelchair between the ages of 8 and 14. They will most likely die in their late teens or early 20s from heart or lung failure during the late stages of the disease.

For now Zachary looks and acts like any normal six-year-old but his muscles are slowly deteriorating.

Doctors have told Zach's family that swimming is the best exercise to strengthen his muscles and to help slow down the deterioration. Unfortunately Zach's parents cannot afford a pool. But thanks to some caring friends and relatives, a fund has been set up to help Zachary get his therapy pool.

Zach has also started a "bucket list" for things he would like to do before he is unable to walk. This includes a trip to Disneyland and New York to see the Statue of Liberty. Part of the funds will go to help Zachary live these dreams.

A goal of raising \$20,000 was set by the family. In three months, they have raised over \$6,000.

On Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Oracle Ridge School, Zachary and his family were presented with a check for \$727. The money was raised at the Mountain Vista Fall Festival. A group of Oracle Ridge staff members including Brenda Garcia, Elina Salazar, Theresa Rodriguez, Katrina Cassarino and Toni Sanchez helped raise the money through the Cake Walk activity at the fair.

Zachary's parents are Mark Foster and Julie Bryant-Foster.

Zach's sister Emma was also at the presentation. Mark and Julie are both deputies with the Pinal County Sheriff's Office and live and work in the Tri-Community. As deputies they serve and help protect the community.

"We appreciate the community's support," Julie said. "It has been tremendous and we cannot thank them enough. We serve the community and it is nice to have the community give back to us and help us in our time of need."

If you would like to donate or have questions about how you can help Zach, visit www.GoFundMe.com/4545iw.



Helping hands present a donation to the Foster family of Oracle. Pictured from left are Brenda Garcia, Elina Salazar, Theresa Rodriguez, Mark Foster, Zachary Bryant (holding check), Julie

Bryant-Foster, Katrina Cassarino, Emma Foster and Toni Sanchez. (John Hernandez photo)



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Mammoth Volunteer Fire Department donates equipment for students



Michael Miranda, Gavin Ball, Aaron Ball, Marty Ponce and Rick Sanchez are happy with Mammoth Fire Department's donation.

By John Hernandez
San Manuel Miner

The Mammoth Volunteer Fire Department has donated a bunch of used fire fighting equipment to the Joint Technical Education District in Tucson (JTED). The equipment will be used for training high school aged students in job training programs which includes firefighting. The students will use the equipment for physical training, and to practice simulated fire fighting techniques while wearing the heavy fire resistant clothing and self contained breathing apparatus. Aaron Ball, assistant superintendent of JTED said it will allow them to save money and target its use somewhere else.

The Pima County JTED is a public school district

providing career and technical education in partnership with business, industry and community stakeholders. They are partners with 13 school districts, including the Mammoth-San Manuel Unified School District. They provide free career and technical education to all sophomores, junior and senior level high school students giving them a head start toward college or entry level technical skills for employment. Students from public, private, charter, and home-school or those working on their GED are eligible. The career training includes programs in Agriculture Management – Agri Business; Health Science; Hospitality and Tourism; Human Services; Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security; Arts, A/V Technology and

Communications; Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and many more fields.

The Mammoth Fire Department is building a relationship with JTED and may help train their firefighters and EMT trainees by allowing them to ride along with the fire department and train with them. Some of these trainees may then work with the Mammoth Fire Department after graduating for job experience. "It is part of our department giving to the community," said Rick Sanchez, fire district board chairman.



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Georgie Digs ... A Creekside Story –

By Georgiana Wood
Special to Copper Area News

Kearny - I am really looking forward to what I hope is the last revision of my manuscript "A Creekside Story"; but, at this time, I want to make the following available to those ranchers and farmers who might be interested.

From its original 40 acres of land, deeded in 1921, my husband, Clifford Wood's family, had developed their ranch that had, eventually, become the larger Wood Brothers Panorama Ranch owned by Clifford, his brother Fred, and their wives, and whose headquarters was located along the western

end of Aravaipa Creek in Pinal County, not far downstream of that area of Aravaipa Canyon that, in 1966, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) wanted to set aside as a National Scenic Recreation Area, and what became the Aravaipa Canyon Primitive Area in Jan. of 1969.

Of course, this greatly affected us because of the many people who first came through our property to enter the inner canyon, the "Box", although we hadn't allowed any vehicular traffic going upstream. We really felt that all we needed was good health, good rains, decent cattle prices, not going broke, and certainly not being pressured by

those who wanted to change everything!

We had the chance to sell the ranch to a developer, who wanted to subdivide it, which we didn't want; so, in 1970, we sold the ranch to The Nature Conservancy (TNC). It wasn't long before TNC's mortgage was assumed by the Defenders of Wildlife (DOW), who appointed Edward Abbey as "coordinating custodian" on that property where the Clifford and Fred Wood families were still living for a while, with certain stipulations. Edward Abbey has been described as an American author and essayist noted for his advocacy of environmental issues, criticism of public

land policies, and anarchist political views. We also met Abbey's friend, Douglas Peacock, who has been described as an American naturalist, outdoorsman, and author. In 1974, the DOW property was named "The George Whittell Wildlife Preserve" in memory of the man whose money made the Preserve and the acquirement of other properties possible, and eventually there were no cattle left on the Panorama Ranch range and the windmills stood still. In August of 1984, the Aravaipa Canyon Primitive Area became the Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Area, on May 22, 1986, Edward Abbey wrote the following

in a letter to me and Cliff, who had been living downstream since 1973. :

"I hear from Douglas that you people were offended, maybe even hurt, by some of the things I said in that article about the beef industry that was reprinted in the Arizona Star. Well, I can't blame you and I'm not surprised. I was attacking the beef industry (and the wool growers); I really would like to see the domestic livestock eventually removed from our public lands -- especially the national parks, national forests, and national (BLM) rangelands -- where other uses, such as hunting, fishing, human recreation, and habitat for wildlife--

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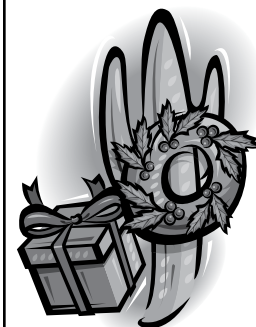
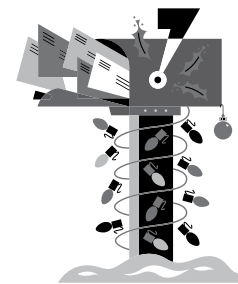
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History of ranching in Aravaipa

seem to me more important and in conflict with the traditional grazing business.

But the beef industry tends to hide behind the great American love affair with the cowboy; therefore I could not resist the temptation to poke a little fun at the Marlboro Man and the old cowboy image. My notion of "fun", I suppose, looks like ridicule to some, and I can understand why some of my friends (not ex-friends, I hope) were annoyed by my remarks.

It would do no good to apologize for what I said about cowboys and ranchers. Too late to take it all back or eat my words. Furthermore, it would be false on my part, because I really meant what I said. All that I can do then is to remind you that I did allow for "a few honorable exceptions" in my attack on ranchers and I had people like you in mind when I spoke of exceptions (I enclose the

original script - part of it - of a speech I made at the University of Montana; the speech was transcribed on tape and parts of it printed in a Montana magazine called Northern Lights, then reprinted in Harper's Magazine, then reprinted in various newspapers around the country - - so I've made at least 10,000 new enemies. Something I hardly needed.) Anyhow, if you read the enclose script, perhaps it will ease your minds a little concerning my attitude.

If not, I would regret it very much, for I have always admired and respected you people -- all of you, the whole family -- and hope that we can continue to be friends. I still want to see you again, from time to time, and get Uncle Cliff's stories down on tape -- as soon as I finish this ... novel I'm working on. But if you don't want to see me anymore I guess I could not blame you one

bit. Or if you'd like to tell me face to face what you think of me and that article I would certainly oblige; I'll even buy the drinks. Let me know. Regards, Ed. A."

In the few pages of his hand-written script that Abbey had enclosed with his letter, he was complimentary about a few people he named, including Cliff and Fred, but he did add these following words about cowboys and ranchers:

"A rancher is only a farmer on a horse - A cowboy is a hired man trying to make an honest living, nothing special - All I want to do is get their greedy cows off our public lands, our property - Let those

cowboys and ranchers find some harder way to make a living, like the rest of us have to do; there's no good reason we should subsidize them forever. They've had a free ride; now they must learn to support themselves. Self reliance is a good tonic for any man; even for a cowboy; even for a rancher."

We did not attempt to see Ed Abbey before his death in 1989. I understand that Doug Peacock played a big role in Abbey's unusual burial, and that there are yet quite a few Abbey fans. Check Edward Abbey's name on the internet.

In 1988, TNC had take over DOW properties with one couple with TNC

living for only about three years on TNC property, across the creek from the Panorama Ranch homesite, where on June 17, 1995, a mysterious fire destroyed the long-neglected house and bunkhouse, and many of the trees. Then, on Aug. 1, 2006, a large Aravaipa Creek flood made its way through its fields. It is so very sad to see.

I certainly wish the best for all hard-working and dedicated ranchers and farmers, who are good stewards on their lands, as we were, despite having so



much to put up with.

Contact the author at ggannwood@yahoo.com.

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Florence Copper is not a traditional

By **Mila Besich Lira**
Copper Area News

Arizona's economy was founded on the five C's, climate, cattle, citrus, cotton and copper, and it is very true that the community of Florence has contributed at least four of the five C's over the past 101 years of statehood. Sitting right in the Town of Florence is a copper mine, the fifth C in Arizona's economy. Mining isn't necessarily foreign to Florence, the community has several sand, rock, gravel and granite mines in the area however the community's economic roots and history lie in government, corrections and ranching.

When one thinks of a copper mine, many may think to the mines of the past, slag piles, tailings and black smoke flowing into the sky from a smelter. Someone may envision huge dump trucks and massive holes in the ground, or maybe think of dark caverns where miners work in extreme heat in the depths of the earth. The copper mine is Florence is not your traditional copper mine, it isn't even a mine of the future, in fact the operation does not fall under the Mine Safety Health Administrations regulations for a mine. The in-situ mine is monitored by the same environmental agencies such as the Federal

Environmental Protection Agency and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality as a traditional mine but is classified as a water

treatment facility because the surface of the Earth is never broken. The Occupational Health and Safety Administration monitors

the working conditions of the operation, because it not considered a mine.

The process of mining copper via the in-situ method is somewhat of a simple process, the company will use a series of wells to inject a water based solution into the ground to break up the minerals and extract the copper. The solution injected into the ore body is 99.5 percent water and .5 percent sulfuric acid. "It is the strength of household vinegar," explained Loren Locher the communications director for Florence Copper. The solution breaks up the mineral and allows it be pumped to the surface through a continuous loop system. The in-situ method can be used for this particular mine due to the geology of the rock, it does not need to be blasted or crushed to retrieve the ore.

The continuous loop system also aids in the re-use of water and the wells will be constructed to protect the aquifers in the area to ensure there is no contamination of the water supply. "This project gives me no environmental

heartburn," Locher said. The company will be required to follow very strict guidelines and monitoring to ensure that environment and water supply will be protected. Unlike traditional mines, this type of in-situ mining operation will be reclaimed as the ore body is mined. Once the areas are completely mined the wells will be closed and the land will be revegetated to its native appearance. Traditional mines are required to reclaim their operations upon closure, leaving the areas blighted until mining no longer exists.

Florence Copper is an established Arizona corporation, and is an initiative of Curis Resources based in Canada. Currently the project is managed by a dozen Arizona residents, some of which live in the Florence - San Tan Valley region. These staff members have been responsible for managing and monitoring the project as the company has applied for their environmental permits to operate their test facility. Florence Copper officials reported earlier this month



An injection site at Florence Copper.

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Jules Salon

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copper mine; faces steep opposition



Florence Copper from above. The property straddles the Florence Town limits. (Photo courtesy Florence Copper)

that they are one permit shy from operating the test facility on their property. That permit is the Underground Injection Control Permit which is approved by the Environmental Protection Agency. The company expects for the permit to be approved in early 2014. This final permit will allow the company to begin operating their phase one test facility for nine years on the 160 acres of State Trust Land that Florence Copper has the mineral rights to.

A recent economic study conducted by the L. William Seidman Research Institute at Arizona State University reported that the project will create 2.2 billion dollars in economic activity in the State

of Arizona over the next 28 years. The project is expected to create 170 direct jobs in Florence with another 681 jobs being created throughout Arizona. Recently the company has joined Central Arizona Regional Economic Development Foundation and Arizona Forward, both groups have a mission of developing sustainable economic development. "We believe that our vision for the future is closely aligned with the missions of both Arizona Forward and CAREDF, and we are looking forward to being actively involved with these groups as they continue to grow and improve the Pinal County region," explained Locher.

One of the only typical

characteristics that Florence Copper has with a new or traditional mine is its ability to attract some kind of opposition. The Florence Copper Project has received opposition. Residents in the local area fear water contamination. They also fear that the project will have adverse affects on home values. The Florence Town Council voted to affect

eminent domain on the property that is owned by Curis in the town limits. The town reports that they need access to that property to construct a new waste water treatment facility on that land. The town also contends that Curis purchased the property after the land no longer had a mine overlay allowed in the zoning code.

On Dec. 3, Florence Copper Inc. filed a Notice of Claim arising from the Town of Florence's eminent domain action from earlier this year. The Notice of Claim values Florence Copper at \$403 million, based on third-party valuation completed by Deloitte LLP, one of the world's largest and most respected accounting and financial advisory firms.

State law requires parties that have been damaged by a government's action to file a claim within 180 days of the harmful act. The Florence Town Council passed an ordinance last spring seeking



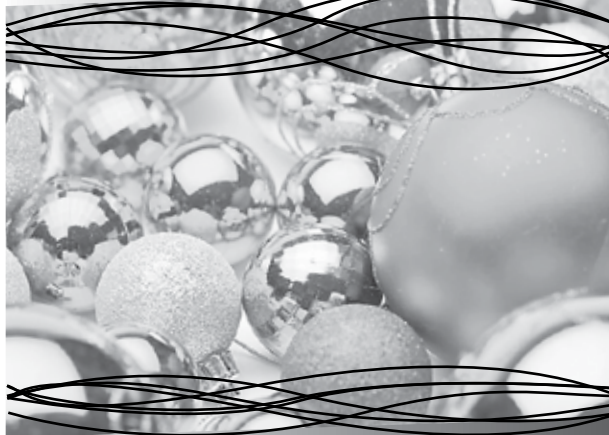
to take nearly 1,200 acres of Florence Copper Inc.'s private land for "public facilities" including a proposed wastewater treatment facility. In October, the town filed a lawsuit in Pinal County to initiate the attempted taking of Florence Copper's private property.

The Town of Florence remains committed to its opposition of the project in a recent press release. Jess Knudson, Florence assistant town manager, dismissed the notice of claim as grandstanding: "The whole

point of the existing lawsuit is to determine whether Curis has any right to compensation, and, if so, in what amount. The only reason to file a \$403 million notice of claim saying you have a right to compensation in that amount is to grab headlines."

"We would like to continue to work diligently to develop a relationship with the Town of Florence, have a meaningful conversation, create a development agreement and go forward," explained Locher "But, we cant get a dialog."

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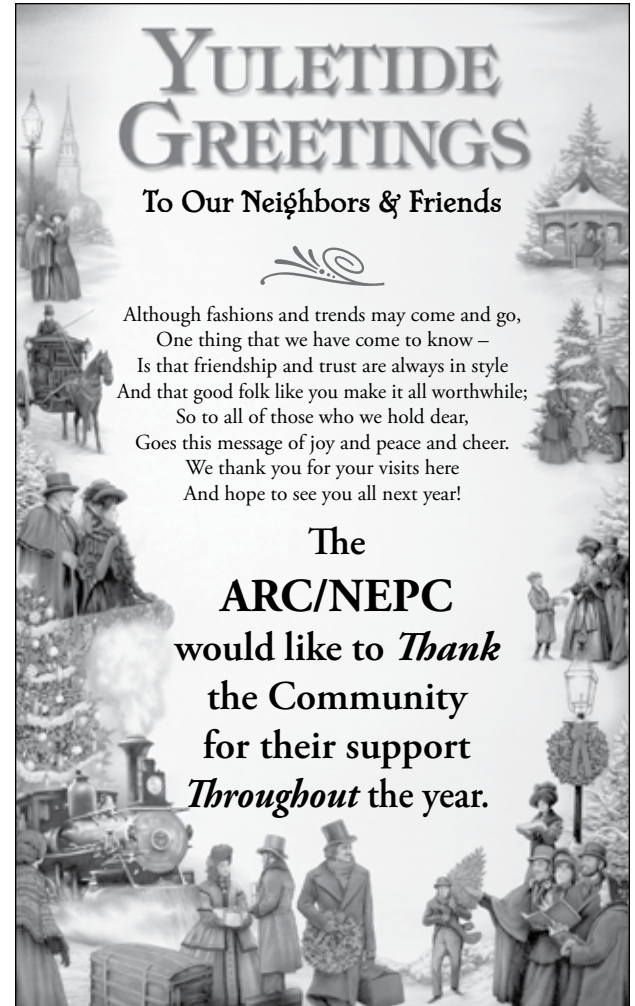


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To Our Neighbors & Friends

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Local children share Christmas

By Santa Claus

Special to Copper Area News

North Pole - It's that time of year, again, when I receive letters from young people, who write to me from every land on the planet, sharing their good wishes and hopes for special presents. As you know, I have a special place in my heart for the children in the Copper Corridor and greatly enjoy their letters. They are so special, that I want to share them with their friends and family.

I hope you all enjoy them as much as I did, when I sat down to read them, during a break from packing my sleigh. Try reading them, while sipping hot cocoa, that's been gently stirred with a candy cane. It's the way I like to read them best, and, it's a very relaxing holiday treat.

Dear Santa,

I would like a Sophia the first toy. I have been a good girl this year!

Thank you!

Love, Kyrah Faucette

To Santa,

I have been a good girl. Kyrah, Courtney, and Kahlea have been good too. Will you bring me a princess Sophia dress please. And a Ariel Dress.

Love, Sadie

Dear Santa,

My name is Madison Acevedo. I am 3 years old so mommy is writing my letter. Mommy says I have been a very good girl this year! Can I please have a Doc McStiffins medical bag, so I can check mommy, daddy, and sisters heart rate. May I also have 2 princess dolls.

Thank you Santa! Merry Christmas!

Love, Maddie

P.S. Could you please bring a stuffed animal for my baby sister Kaitlynn.

Dear Santa,

My name is Trysten Ortiz. I am 9 years old and I have been a very good girl this year. This is what I want for Christmas this year. Gymnastics mat.

Orbeez Spa

Chocolate Foundue fountain.

Love, Trysten

Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Savannah Ortiz, I am 11 years old, before I tell you what I would like for Christmas, can you please make sure that you give each boy and girl in the world one special gift, if you can that would be great. Now I'm going to tell you what I would like for Christmas, a new TV for my room, and fashion stuff, please and thank you.

Love, Savannah Ortiz.

Dear Santa,

I have been a good Boy. Please bring me

Helicopter

GMC Remote

Real Robot

Love Zach

Dear Santa,

My mom and dad said if I was a good girl & cleaned up the mess in my room, that you would bring me everything I want. So here is my list of what I want for Christmas.

First, I would like new Cowgirl boots, a cowgirl hat, slippers, Jewelry, make-up & high heels like my moms, Beauty & the beast pajamas, A Tinkerbell doll house, A race car, & last a prince for my Sophia doll.

Also can you please bring my big brother AJ a Xbox one & new Cowboy boots & for my new baby brother Alonso bring him milk, milk, milk & lots of it.

OK well Santa its time for me to go. I have to hurry & clean my room now. Love you Santa! Love Always, Lailah Barragan.

P.S. I hope you like the cookies Im gonna make for you. I will hide them in a secret hiding spot so my Daddy won't eat them.

Lailah

My Letter to Santa,

3 Words to describe my behavior are: nice, helpful and trustworthy. My wish for my family is to be safe. My wish for the world is fair Share. And here's what I'd like to say to you...

I want a tablet, a cell phone and nerf gun that has blue bullets.

Reggie Lechuga

8 ys old.

My Letter to Santa,

3 words to describe my behavior are: sweet, nice and pretty. My wish for my family is nice, Happy. My wish for the world is Happy.

And here's what I'd like to say to you...

Santa, I am so good. So please bring me a camera, a tablet and make up.

Love Brooklyn Lechuga

7 yrs old

My Letter to Santa,

3 words to describe my behavior are: sweet, good and nice. My wish for my family is Be Happy. My wish for the world is Happy.

And here's what I'd like to say to you...

Santa, I'm a good girl so please bring me a bike, bow & arrow, full stockings with candy.

Love, Josselyn Lechuga

5 ½

My Letter to Santa,

3 words to describe my behavior are: Sorta good, helpful, and kinda good. My wish for my family is Be together & Happy. My wish for the world is Happy.

And here's what I'd like to say to you...

Santa I love you please bring candy canes for my entire family. 2 for me. I want CARS, a ring, a bike and a GI Joe

Love, Damien Lechuga

5 ½

December 2012

Dear Santa,

My name if Javier Ortega and I am 4 years old. If you are having trouble finding my name on the Nice list, it's probably because it is spelled "Javier". That's my real name but you can call me Javie.

I think that I have been a good boy this year. I started preschool and I haven't got no Behavior Chart from my teachers. I just get green and green is good. I like to give my Mommy and Daddy trouble when I do my homework but I still do it.

I just want to tell you that for Christmas this year I would like a big monster truck, a big dump truck and a bow and arrow. I would also like a Steelers football, a skateboard, a scooter, some boxing gloves and a boxing bag to beat up so I don't have to play fight with my Mommy and Daddy all the time (I think I am getting too tough for them) and a pool table and soccer table. Can you also bring me a waffle maker that makes animal shapes?

Oooo, I just saw this commercial and I would also like some Party in the Tub colors. I would like them so that I can put them in the water and my Mommy and Daddy won't be able to tell how stinky dirty I am. Can you bring my fishes some food too? I have 5 fish and they are hungry ALL THE TIME!

We finally have all our Christmas lights on our house so that you can find it. I will leave you some cookies and milk and M&M's and I will also leave some magic reindeer food for Rudolph and the rest of the reindeer because I know you all have a very long night.

Santa I love you and Rudolph and all the reindeer and I hope you can make all my toys in time.

Patently waiting!

Love, Javier Robert Ortega

Riley to Santa Can I please have a new TV like a state scren TV And can i have a big milert hellopter. last thing can i have dalles cowdoy soda bucet

to Santa from Riley

Dear Santa, Im thankful for everyone and everything I have this year, I really dont know what to ask for but if you feel you may want to bring me something for christmas I wouldnt mind having my own pink tool set, and a

power wheel I can use my tools on. I also like pretty bows for my hair or a swing set. Thank you santa, sister and I will leave you cookies and we will leave reindeer food for the

reindeer also. Love Yarencia Gaona (Yaya)

Hayden, Az

Dear Santa,

I am new to this, I am 3 weeks old and for Christmas I would like Love, Peace and Happiness for all. The only thing I am using right now are diapers and could always use more. I have a great big sister who shares all her toys with me so I dont need any right now. But please enjoy the cookies mommy, sister and I are leaving you and please let the reindeer eat all thier treats daddy will leave. Its ok if they mess in the yard, Daddy will enjoy cleaning it up!

Love, Keikikalani Gaona 3 weeks young

Hayden, AZ

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl! I would like a pink bike for Christmas. I will be at my Tata and Nana's house this year. I will leave you milk & cookies.

Love,

Camilla Jaymes

Age 2

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. I would like a new princess bike, a Flutter by Fairy, Doc McStuffins scooter and a Doc McStuffins play doctor set.

I will leave you my favorite tamales with a big Pepsi to drink. The tamales are hot. I helped make them with my Mom and my Nana.

Love you Santa!

Love, Makayla Barajas

age 5

Dear Santa:

I want a monster high doll and art collection play-do collection. Lip stick. Boots. belts.

From: Katie To: Santa

Katie Yonkin, age 7

wishes with Santa Claus

Dear Santa
I want a iphone a tablet power wheels motorcycle a stufy dog a car maker and a trampoline to have a good life to have better power in mammoth when I go to my moms a remot control monster turuk.
Thank you Love, Jose Cervantes

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a tire call of Duty Ghost a DIRT Bike 22 Pistol with targets a new bow from: Andy Rodigez

Dear, Santa
All I want for christmas is to make enough money to buy what my family wants for christmas
your friend, Kayla Peck
p.s. Have a Jolly christmas!

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a new princess bike, a Flutter by Fairy, Doc McStuffins scooter and a Doc McStuffins play doctor set.
I will leave you my favorite M&M Chocolate Chip Cookies and some Chocolate Fudge with a lot of milk. I am going to help my Mom make them.
Love you Santa!
Love, Mia Barajas
age 5

Dear Santa I want an I-pod for christmas but thats not all!!! I want some 3ds games called Scribble-Nauts Unlimited, and Art Academy Movies: Turbo, epic; and two more game Infinity and Sky-landers SWAP FORSE !!
Cloths: boots, pants, socks, shirts; (that fit); and a PSP, and a 2ds (if you can) Thank! you! Santa! Claus! for! Everything! Kaden Yonkin, age 10

Dear Santa,
I love you, Santa. This year I am asking for a doll house and a nice toy for my baby brother and baby sister. I hope you have a nice holiday.
Love, Jillian Figueroa
Age: 4

Dear Santa,
My name is Celestial Sinteral. I am 8 years old. I've been pretty good all year. For Christmas I want a motorcycle, A puffy dress, high heels, furby boom, Notebook, marker, crayons, color pencils, and a lot of candy. I will leave some yummy cookies and some milk.
Love, Celestial

Dear Santa
Merry Christmas to ya! Santa My Name is Angelica Cuevas I Hope that the Hole word has A special christmas this year. Ive have been A good little girl This year. I would Like For christmas is Reading books with letters and numbers, So I can learn more, I also would Like A Bike and High Heels and parlry clothes, and lots of Toys Thank you Santa clause For Bringing Joy and Happiness to the Hole world.
Love, Angelica Cuevas

Dear Sante I am srooy that I have bin bad but I am srooy plesa and a chas pleasa Sante. I will be good the rest of becEmBer ples. have a safe Day Love Aolani from Aolani

Josiah Salazar Dear Santa What I Want for Chrismis is a marker air Brush and a ipod the one that has Music and Games and en dirt bike the one that Gos room room and a Call of Duty Ghost Game and cool cars and a toy 4Mdily ins car and thas it thank you santa and I love you.

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Blake Ortiz. I'm 7 years old and I waned to thank you for my Elf on the Shelf Elli, now I'm going to tell you what I want for Christ. I would like Skylanders, Robo fighters, Sponge Bob Wii game, and a Nintendo 3DS. (Please !!!)
Merry Christmas,
Blake Ortiz

Dear Santa,
My name is Daniel Paul Ortega. I am 3 yrs old. I want for Christmas Toys and a bike blue and for my brother Nonie bring him a basketball cause he plays basketball. I have been a good Boy. I will leave you cookies & milk.
For my cousin Javie a Barbie doll
Daniel Ortega

I want a beagle Dog and a new set of hotwheels with the Iron man 3 movie Please SaNTa Clau

Dear Santa For Xmas I would like 1. Hot wheels (green) 2. Stuff 3. trampoline 3. oven easy bake oven 4. A goodlife 5. green quad. 6. green monter truck 7 and for you to have a good Xmas too. Love, Nate Holley

Dear Santa ...
more barbies! Clothes
love Aliaria Chadibay

Dear Santa ...
I like a Motorcycle Skooter Bike
Love Tonio

Dear Santa,
My name is Nathan Sinteral, I am 3 years old. I've been pretty good all year. For Christmas I want a Micky mouse, Donald duck, Woody that talks, and a Buzz light year action figure. I will leave you yummy cookies and some milk.
Your friend, Nathan

Dear Santa,
My name is Destiny. I am 5 years old. I've been pretty good all year. For Christmas I want a beauty kit, skooter, furby boom, high heels, puffy dress. I will leave you some yummy cookies and some milk.
Love, Destiny Sinteral

December 2013
Dear Santa,
My name is Savannah Adela. I am 3 yrs old. I would like some things this year.
They are:
Dog
Ariel the little mermaid doll that goes in the bathtub.
Lego Friends
Ursula the Sea Witch off of the little Mermaid.
My own Slinky.
Minion from Despicable Me.
Sofa
A purse that has weenies in it like my Grandma Bebbe's purse.
Kitchen and a coushin
Clothes
Pajamas
Ruponzil leapad game
That is all I would like. I think I have been a good girl. I will leave you Milk and Cookies!
<3: Savannah Adel Magallanez

My Letter to Santa,
3 words to describe my behavior are: nice, sweet, and good. My wish for my family is love. My wish for the world is Candy.
And here's what I'd like to say to you...
I love you Santa
Bow and arrow, A Barbie, Tire for my bike.
Love, Mya Ann Carder
6 yrs old

To. Santa From. Makayla Martinez: I want a Iphone w/ minuets and Leappad Art stuff and barbie boy and girl.

Dear Santa,
I would like a pair of earrings blue and white. More Legos for my play set. A Box for my jewelry.
Love Jalya Perez
103 S. Christopher Superior
I am 7 yere's old.

Dear Santa,
I would like (1) new clubhouse, (2) A new bike, (3) A wii game system, (4) Just Dance 2014, (5) easy bake oven Mix, (6) A new color honey, (7) A fish just like prince blue fin, (8)2 more crabs for Zach, (9) A ribbon stock thingy, and (10) a Kareoke system.
Love Danika
Merry Christmas Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is Callee. I've been a very good girl this yer.
For Christmas please bring me:
Car
Doc McStuffins Doll
Sofia Doll
Moushka
Thank you Santa Claus, Thank you for bringing toys to me.
Love, Callee

Dear Santa,
My name is Julius I am 5 and my name is Demitrius a I am 3. We would like a flat screen TV for our room, Legend O Dino, Dreaworks Ryders of Berk, Scooter, Lightning McQueen Race Track, Duplex Lightning McQueen. Oh yea I forgot we've been good boys! Please bring our dogs Addie & Cookies some toys. We will leave you cookies and milk!
Thanks a bunch, Julius & Demitrius Pinkard

Dear Santa, Ive been a good lil girl this year (until my sisters asleep, then I get my revenge so please close your eyes during her nap time). I am grateful for everyone and everything I have in my life, for christmas I want all my teeth to come through so they quit bothering me but I know you cant fix that so to pass the time until they all come in I would like to munch on food all day and play with a purple giraffe if you can find one please. Thank you Santa Love Keikikalani Gaona (Keiki) Hayden, Az ps sister and I will leave you cookies and reindeer food for the reindeer (but u better hurry cuz I may start munching on them)

A special message to the boys and girls I have quoted, above: Please forgive me if the twinkle in my eye got in the way of being able to read every word just right, and, don't worry about the spelling or grammatical mistakes. I know you are young and are learning more each day and I am proud of your efforts in doing so. For now, it's just part of the charming way that you are you. Thank you for taking the time to write to me. Love, Santa

Santa Claus is coming to town and has already been seen

On Saturday Santa visited the Elks Club in San Manuel. He was there to pose for photographs with children with the

proceeds going to help sponsor the Children's Christmas Party. Don't forget, Santa will be back at the Elks Club on De-

ember 22 for the Children's Christmas Party from 2 pm to 5 pm. There will be treat filled

stockings for all of the kids and refreshments will be served. All kids are welcome.

Happy Holidays

During this holiday season, ASARCO LLC would like to thank our employees, suppliers and communities for their support in 2013.



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Oracle boys and girls had Santa's ear Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Oracle Fire Station and all took time to tell him all their Christmas wishes. Don't worry if you missed him. The man in red will be seen at locations throughout the Tri-Community in these days leading up to Dec. 25 and his big night. (John Hernandez photo)



Marie Luna has told her Christmas wishes to Santa. (John Hernandez photo)

AJC to host Affordable Healthcare Act info workshop

The Adelante Juntos Coalition will host a Community Information Session for anyone wanting more information on the Affordable Care Act, AHCCCS and the Health Insurance Marketplace on Thursday, Dec. 19, at noon. The meeting will be held at 321 S. Ave. B, San Manuel.

The Marketplace allows

individuals and families to find coverage that fits your needs and budget, whether you are insured, don't currently have any coverage or would simply like to explore your choices.

The meeting will be conducted by Melissa Villalobos, Regional Lead Navigator with Sun Life Family Health Center, which

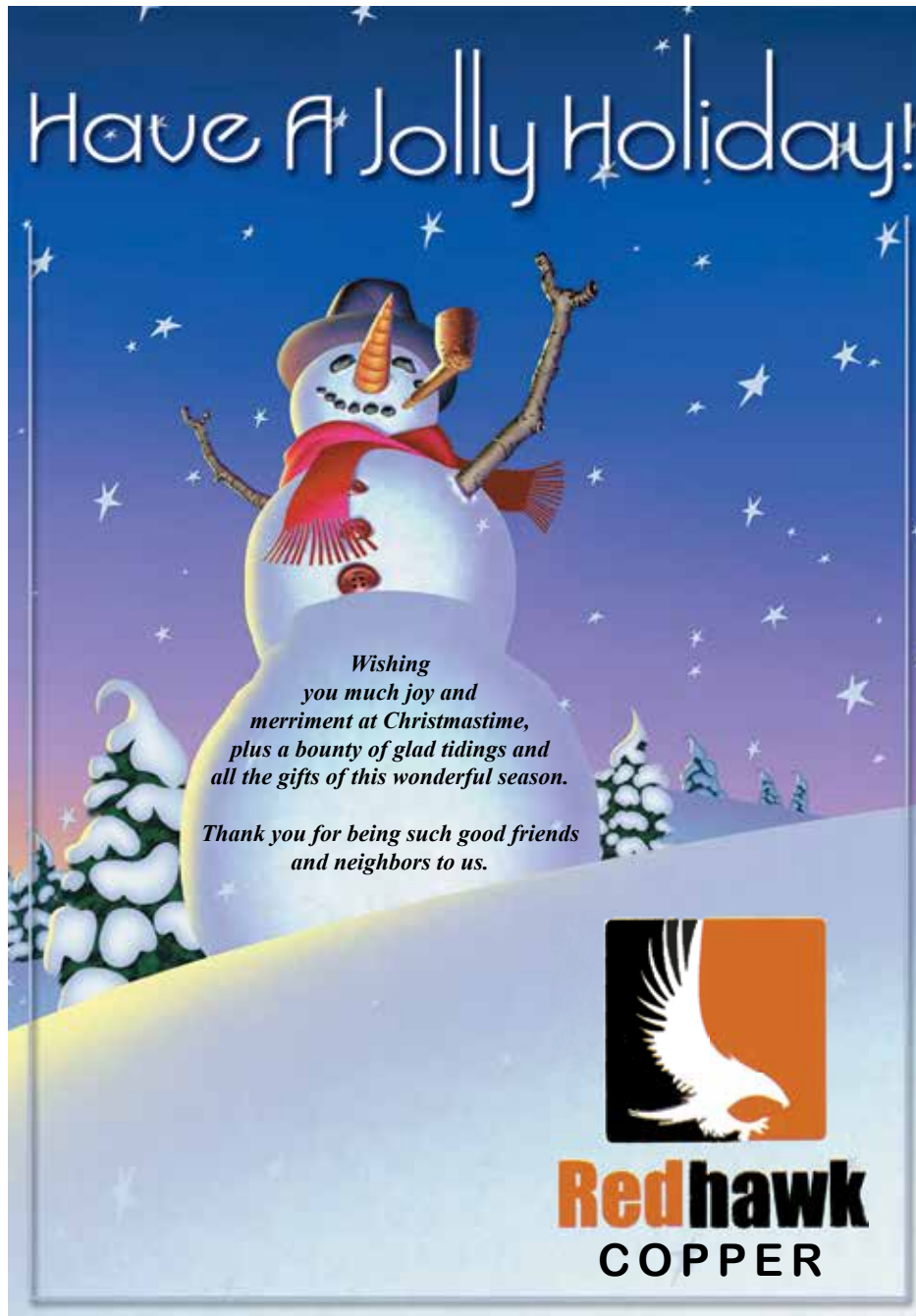
is entrusted in assisting Pinal, Gila, Graham and Greenlee communities in understanding their options and providing unbiased information/answers to questions. The information workshop is about an hour long and is open to community members, anyone who does not understand the new healthcare law, anyone with questions

or who would like more information on how to navigate it. After the workshop, individual assistance with applying for the Marketplace or AHCCCS will be

available for both English and Spanish speakers.

Please stop by Sun Life Family Health Center located at 23 McNab Pkwy., San Manuel, or


contact Melissa Zazueta, the local outreach coordinator at 520-350-7556 for a list of information that will be needed to apply for either program.



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Sea Lions participate in Fall Finale Meet in Oro Valley

Over the weekend of December 5- 8, the Sea Lions Swim Team competed in the Fall Finale Swim Meet in Oro Valley. The meet had 14 teams from southern Arizona and the Sea Lions finished 5th overall with 962 points. Preliminaries were held each morning and swimmers who qualified in the top 8 swam in finals each evening. Medals were awarded for top three finishes in each individual event. The meet format was very similar to the 2014 Age Group State Championship Meet that will be held in the same pool in March.

At the start of the morning sessions, it was literally freezing. Frost was on the starting blocks and a cloud of water vapor was rising from the pool. Sea Lion swimmers were among the first in the pool each morning and their toughness paid off in the relays. Head Coach Alex Gort was proud of the fact that all the Sea Lions Relays teams participated and no swimmers backed out because of weather. The Sea Lions swam a total of 10 relays during the 4 day meet. A majority of the relay teams finished in the top 3. For the Girls Relays; Briana Castellanos(9), Tabitha Kellam (9), Darien Apuron (12), and Gianna Sweeney (12) competed in the 12 and under age group and finished 3rd in both the 400 Medley and Swimming, Page 24



Boys Relay- Ethan Kellam 8, Riley Stewart 10, Rakim Andrade 8, Evan Apuron 10. (Jeanine Apuron photo)



Girls Relay- Tabitha Kellam 10, Darien Apuron 12, Gianna Sweeney 12, Brianna Castellanos 9. (Jeanine Apuron photo)



Brianna Castellanos 9. (Jeanine Apuron photo)



Darien Apuron 12. (Jeanine Apuron photo)

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Community Schools Flag Football Season comes to end; Wildcats named Kinder Division Champs

By Nina Crowder
Copper Area News

Another season of Community Schools Flag Football came to an end on Saturday, Dec. 14. There were over 20 football teams from Mammoth, San Manuel, Oracle, Hayden and Kearny. The cheer squads as well as parents, siblings and grandparents were there to cheer the young football players along.

The Arbizo team from Hayden won the Division 4 Championship. The Quintero team from San Manuel won Division 6 Championship. Congratulations to everyone who played!

The MSM Community Schools Flag Football and Cheer Programs enable the youth to benefit from participation in team sports and activities in a safe and structured environment. Through active participation the students are taught fundamental values, skills and knowledge that children will use throughout their lives. The objective is to inspire our youth and practice ideals of sportsmanship, self improvement, physical fitness and becoming familiar with football and cheer.

MSM Community Schools is committed to excellence: motivating and challenging participants through a partnership of players, cheerleaders, coaches, parents and the community. Success will be defined as the self-satisfaction in knowing participants have done the best they are capable of doing.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered and participated this season! The



The Wildcats are coached by Andy Gutierrez, David Aron & Gibby Guerrero. The Wildcats were crowned champions of the Mammoth-San Manuel Community Schools Flag Football Kinder Division. (John Hernandez photo)


MSM Community Schools Basketball Season will begin registration in early January. If you have questions or need additional information, please

refer to MSM Community Schools Facebook page at: MsmCommunitySchools or contact Larry Ramirez at 520-385-2337 ext. 1113.

Merry Christmas!
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Smith wins championship after return from knee injury

By Andrew Luberda
San Manuel Miner

Senior Colten Smith topped off an undefeated week (13 – 0) of wrestling by winning the individual Championship at the Witt Duals Invitational at Show Low. Smith was able to overcome a serious knee injury and seven months of intense physical therapy in reaching the top of the Championship podium. "Colten has worked his way back to top form,"

said Smith's Coach Daniel Najera. "More impressively, he dominated three state placers on his way to claiming the championship."

The team as whole also had a good showing at the tournament. Wrestling against highly ranked teams in higher divisions, the Miners finished with a record of 4 – 3 and a very respectable 7th place finish.

"This tournament gives (us) insight of where

(we're) at and where (we) need to be (as a team)," Najera said. "Our boys have improved every week and that's what we're looking for. Being battle tested is very important for the sectional and state tournaments."

The Miners wrestled against four of the top eight teams in their division and came away victorious in most of them.

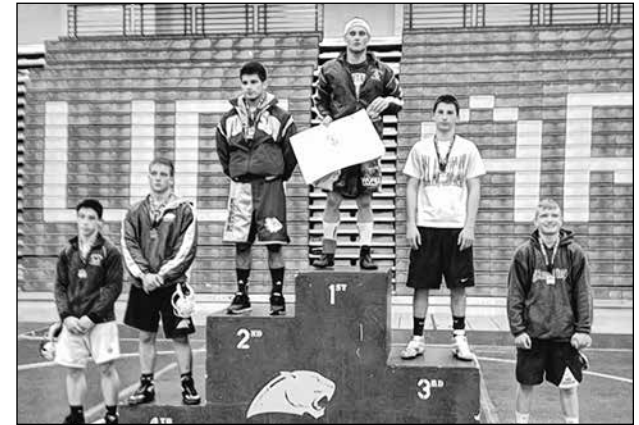
Najera said he is pleased to see his team develop and

support each other as the season moves along.

"Our team rapport is very strong and we're happy to see that," he said.

The Miners had a total of five wrestlers perform well in individual tournaments. In addition to Smith were Franky Renteria (2nd), Anthony Lopez (3rd), Roberto Guerrero (5th), and Frankie Tamayo (6th).

Smith earned Co-Wrestler of the Week for his accomplishments.



Colten Smith stands atop the podium in his win.

Miners' wrestlers are improving while adding to win total

By Andrew Luberda
San Manuel Miner

The San Manuel Miners wrestling team continues to

compete and improve as the season progress. They are also winning along the way. After a 3 – 1 start within

their section, the Miners competed at Tombstone on December 11, 2013. They came away with a record of 4 – 0 in defeating Tombstone, Bisbee, Santa Cruz, and Baboquivari.

Head coach Daniel Najera was once again pleased with the performances of his wrestlers before they travel to Show Low for the

Witt Duals Invitational.

"The boys are wrestling hard and with a lot of intensity," Najera said after the Tombstone meet. "I feel we're ahead of where we're usually at (by this) point of the season. The tournament in Show Low will tell us where we're at individually and as a team."

Najera said the team is looking forward to competing at Show Low and said it's important for the team to "stay motivated, prepared, and focused on our goals."

Najera announced that senior Miguel Gonzalez was recognized as the Co-Wrestler of the Week. Gonzalez has been on the

Miners' wrestling team for two seasons.

"Miguel is a very respectful young man who has a bright future ahead of him," Najera said.

Gonzalez was 4 – 0 at the Tombstone meet. According to Najera, Gonzalez has made huge improvements and is a pleasure to coach.

Individual results are available online at www.copperarea.com.



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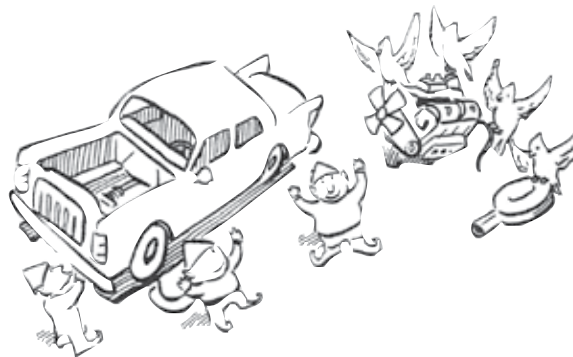
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Young Miners' basketball team coming along; win over Superior, lose to Santa Cruz

By Andrew Luberda
San Manuel Miner

The Miners' boys' basketball team is off to a 5 - 4 start on the season. Head coach Ryan Sichting said he has been surprised by how well the team has played together despite being a young team.

"We have three seniors and the rest are junior and sophomores," Sichting said. "We are very inexperienced but we are improving each day."

The Miners split two games last week, defeating Superior before suffering a loss against Santa Cruz Valley, 56 - 43.

Against the Dust Devils, the Miners trailed by three at the half before being outscored 31 - 21 in the second half. Senior Jonathan Croci led the Miners with 14 points. He shot 6 of 12 from the field and was perfect from the foul line. Croci also had four rebounds. Jordan Peasley added seven points and Bryan Valdez led the team with five rebounds and four assists.

As is expected with a young and

inexperienced team, there is both good and bad in most contests and that was true versus Santa Cruz. The Miners shot 50 percent from the field going 18 for 36. The shooting percentage was the team's highest in Coach Sichting's three years at the school. On the other side, the Miners committed 22 turnovers in the game. That's too many to be successful at this level.

"We need to improve on not turning the ball over as much," Sichting said.

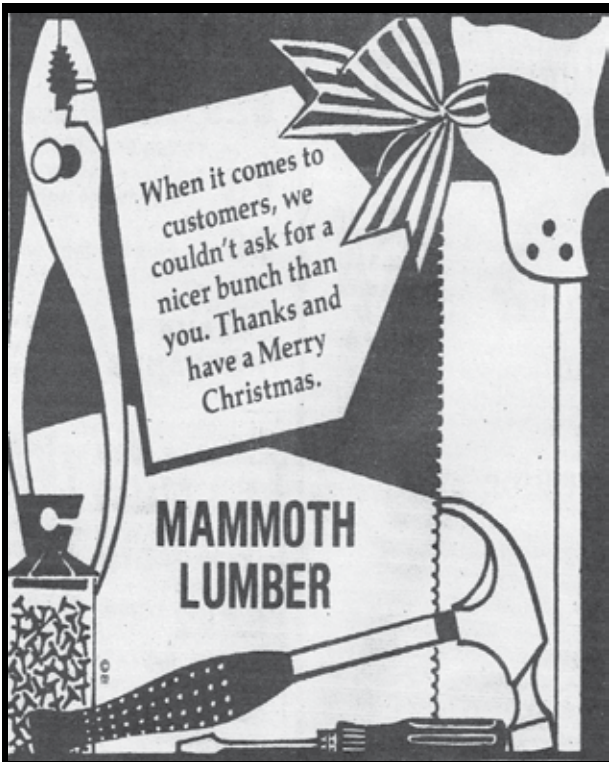
Sichting added that the Miners need to improve at the free throw line. They have struggled from the line so far this year. It's important to be a good free throw shooting team, especially in close games. He is confident the team can make the necessary improvements.

"They are very coachable," he said. "I'm very excited for the rest of the season."

The Miners return to action on December 19, 2013 at Tohono O'odham before taking on Hayden at home on December 20. Both games tipoff at 7:00 p.m.



Jon Croci leaps high to get the ball in during a recent game against Santa Cruz. (Photo by Mrs. Stratton/San Manuel High School)



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Felicia Gomez takes possession of the ball and takes in down court. (Photo by Ray Barney/San Manuel High School)

Lady Miners extend winning streak to five

By Andrew Luberda
San Manuel Miner

The San Manuel Miners girls' basketball team has won five games in a row after defeating Superior and Santa Cruz Valley last week. The Miners are now 7 – 3 on the season.

The Miners defeated Superior, 38 – 15, behind 22 combined points from seniors Angelica Zuniga (15) and Analisa Robles (7). Felicia Gomez added six points and had a perfect night shooting by going 3 for 3 from the field. Zuniga and junior Kadi Monfred tied for the team lead with seven rebounds. Freshman Theresa Sweeney finished with six rebounds for the Miners.

The Miners defense held the Panthers to 13 percent shooting from the field and did not allow more than four points in any quarter.

The Miners ran past a winless Santa Cruz Valley team, 49 – 21, and handed them a ninth consecutive loss to open the season.

Angelica Zuniga turned in a monster effort with another double-double, 22 points and a whopping 21 rebounds, including 10 on the offensive side. Kadi Monfred was the second leading scorer in the game with nine points. Analisa Robles had 10 rebounds in the game.

The Miners will look to extend their winning streak this week with games at Tohono O'Odham on December 19, 2013 and at home versus Hayden on December 20. Both games begin at 5:30 p.m.

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Volunteers get Mountain Vista choir ready for Christmas show

By John Hernandez
Copper Area News

A group of volunteers have been working with students at Mountain Vista School to develop a choir which will perform at Mt. Vista School on December 19.

The students are volunteering to join the choir and perform for parents, family and friends. The choir is being directed by Madeleine Fiorino.

Madeleine is a former professional opera singer. She is originally from Canada. At age 15, she received a scholarship from the prestigious Julliard School of Music in New York. She has performed on Broadway and directed numerous children and adult choirs. She now lives in SaddleBrooke.

Another volunteer from SaddleBrooke helping out with the choir is Peggy Knowles. She is a retired computer programmer and has always volunteered for schools, helping with the arts. Peggy says she was "heartbroken" when she heard that Mountain Vista did not have an art or music program this year. "SaddleBrooke has always supported the schools," she said. We



Madeleine Fiorino (far left) is pictured with the Mountain Vista School Choir. (John Hernandez photo)

volunteer for the love of children and because it is a pleasure working with the kids."

The choir has about 30 members from grades three through eight. Most of them will be singing but a few will accompany the choir on drums and bells. The Mountain Vista Christmas Show will begin the evening of Dec. 19 at 6 p.m. Students in

grades K – 6 will perform at the amphitheater. They will be dressed as carolers and sing for their parents.

Several of the classrooms will be open

for children to make ornaments, listen to stories or color. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served by the PTO. The entertainment

will then move to the cafeteria at 7 p.m. where the choir will then sing Christmas favorites in

French, Spanish and English.

It should be an enjoyable holiday evening.

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Community Calendar

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WRITING GROUP

A new writing group has been formed by a published writer, with a focus on fiction. There are opening for six serious writers who wish to improve upon and share their work in a supportive group. Meeting place will either be in San Manuel or Oracle. Please submit a sample of your work to Franci at novel4works@gmail.com.

CAC GED CLASS SCHEDULE

Central Arizona College is pre-registering students for GED classes at the Aravaipa Campus, free to residents who have been in Arizona for 1 year or more. All classes are on Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 pm - 9 pm in Room E107. Students need to bring appropriate official identification. At the Aravaipa Campus 1st Session Pre-Registration begins Tues., Jan 7 for GED classes that will be held Jan. 22 - March 12. 2nd Session Pre-Registration begins Thurs. Feb. 27 for GED classes from March 24 - May 12.. For more information, please call Maria Munoz at 520-357-2801 or email AdultEducation@centralaz.edu.

December

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Blessed Sacrament Church in Mammoth is having a New Year's Eve dance. Call 520-487-2808 for information or tickets.

SMOKE DETECTORS

The Mammoth Fire District will be taking applications for the installation of smoke detectors in the Mammoth Fire District area starting December 16, 2013. Please Contact the Fire District Station @ 520-487-2050 to Request install of detectors in homes. The smoke detectors are being supplied to the Mammoth Fire District from various Businesses and individuals.

20 CHRISTMAS PARTY

The San Manuel Rotary will be hosting its Annual Fireside Christmas Party in the San Manuel High School football field parking lot on Friday, Dec. 20, from 5-7 p.m. There will be free coffee, cocoa, treats and a visit from Santa.

22 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The San Manuel Elks Lodge #2007 is hosting a Children's Christmas Party on Dec. 22, from 2 pm - 5 pm at the Lodge. Santa will be there to greet the kids and there will be treat-filled stocking for every one of them. There will also be refreshments for all who attend. This is a free event! Please join us to celebrate this wonderful time of the year.

24 CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Living Word Chapel, 3941 W. Hwy. 77 in Oracle will have a Special Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Dec. 24 at 7:30 pm. There is limited seating, so everyone must have a ticket. The free tickets are available at the church office. For more information call 896-2771.

27 SHAKE THE LAST OF 2013 OFF DANCE!!!

A youth dance sponsored by Adelante Juntos Coalition and El Centro Youth Center will be held on Fri., Dec. 27 from 7 pm - 11 pm, at El Centro Youth Center, located at 321 Ave B in San Manuel. This is a free event. Food, raffles, music by DJ Denyell & Duchess will all be part of the fun. Must be present to win. Please join us!

January

17 CAC SPRING ORIENTATION

In preparation for the 2014 spring semester that begins after 4:30 pm on Fri., Jan. 17 Central Arizona College students now may register online, over the phone, or in person for orientations available at CAC campuses across Pinal County. Orientation for Aravaipa Campus, 80440 E. Aravaipa Rd., Winkelman will be held on Jan. 7 from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm in Room E 102. For more information or to register for Orientation to College, please visit www.centralaz.edu/orientation or call 520-494-5597.

Community Announcements

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays The Community Schools Gym, located in the basement of San Manuel High School Auditorium, is open from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

San Manuel Museum, located in the Elks Lodge breezeway, is operated by the San Manuel Historical Society. It is now open on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for you to come and see items from San Manuel's history!

The San Manuel Thrift Store is looking for volunteers to work one day, or more, per week from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Thrift Store is run by the San Manuel Historical Society and proceeds from Thrift Store sales go to support the SM Museum, as well as the SM Library, Christmas Toy Drive, and other local charitable organizations.

Clubs & Meetings This Week

Saturday (4th Saturday of the month) Market on the Move at Santa Catalina Church, 14380 N. Oracle Rd., Catalina, is held on the fourth Saturday through May. Get up to 60 pounds of fresh vegetables and fruits in season for a \$10 donation.

Thursday (1st and 3rd Thursday of the month) ORACLE-SAN MANUEL LIONS CLUB Meetings are held at the San Manuel Elks Lodge.

Wednesdays, 10:00 AM, STORY TIME AT PREGNANCY CARE CENTER The Pregnancy Care Center in Oracle has StoryTime at 10:00 AM. For more information call 896-9545.

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT GROUP The Alzheimer's Caregiver's Educational Support Group meets in the Resource Room at the Sun Life Clinic in San Manuel on the third Wednesday of the month at 10 AM. Call Kaye at 385-2835 for more information.

Wednesdays (Every Wednesday), 6:00 PM, NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS 12-STEP MEETINGS Every Thursday at Sun Life in San Manuel. Rear entrance, south facing door. Open meeting. For more information, call San Pedro Valley BH at 520-896-9240.

SAN MANUEL ROTARY MEETING The San Manuel Rotary meets on Wednesday mornings from 7-8 a.m. at 28480 S Veterans Memorial Blvd. at Your Broker Connection real estate office. The first Tuesday of every month, the Rotary meets from 5:30-6:30 p.m. for a social hour and does not have the regular meeting on Wednesday that week.

Tuesday (Every Tuesday), 12:30-4 p.m. Bridge is played at the Oracle Community Center. Call Ethel Amator at 896-2197 or Mary McClure at 896-2604 for more information.

Monday (Every Monday) Lunches at the Oracle Community Center are at noon. Each Monday a volunteer brings the main dish and others bring side dishes. Fee is \$4 for members and \$5 for guests. Membership cards are available during this time.

SAN MANUEL SENIOR CENTER Come to the San Manuel Senior Center for fun times. At 8 am on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, there is an exercise program at the San Manuel Elks. Canasta is held every Wednesday at 12:30 pm; we will teach you if you don't know how to play. The Red Hat meetings to schedule monthly activities are held at 1 pm every 1st Friday of the month, for those 50 years of age or up. A potluck dinner will take place on the 2nd Thursday of each month, at 5:30 pm. Bring a dish to share. There is a \$1 fee for utilities. Board meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month at 6 pm.

Visit our online calendar: <http://bit.ly/16EHtwp>



San Manuel Copper Classic roars into the area Feb. 1

The Trail Riders of Southern Arizona (TRS) will host the San Manuel Copper Classic Hare Scramble on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2014. The latest Copper Classic will mark the ninth time this race will be held in San Manuel since 2006.

The TRS dirt bike motorcycle club has been around since 2004 and represent off-road trail-riding enthusiasts of Southern Arizona. The club belongs to the Arizona Motorcycle Riders Association (AMRA) which is a non-profit, volunteer-run association made up of eight statewide off-road motorcycle clubs. Like AMRA, TRS' intent is to promote a positive off-road motorcycling experience. Each year the AMRA organizes Arizona's premier off-road motorcycle championship series (which includes the San Manuel Copper Classic), intent on providing high quality, fun and safe off-road racing for the whole family. In addition to racing, AMRA and TRS promote non-competitive events and fundraisers that contribute to the health of our sport.

So just what is a Hare Scramble race? Per the American

Motorcyclist Association's (AMA) rule book, a Hare Scramble is a race conducted on a closed course, using trails and paths over natural terrain. The course can be between two and a half and 40 miles in length. In the Copper Classic's case, the distance is typically around 25 miles. Course markings are used to aid the riders in determining the proper route when the terrain does not clearly dictate direction. The racer's objective is to navigate the race course as fast as possible for as many as three laps.

As in past years, the race will be staged out of the old middle school ball fields at the end of Erickson Street. The mini rider's race will begin after 8 a.m., with the big bike race starting around noon. The start and finish lines

will be near the staging area and spectator viewing is strongly encouraged.

But the San Manuel Copper Classic is not just about racing. TRS hosts this event as a fundraiser for the local school board. After each race, TRS typically donates \$500 to \$1,000 to the school board to support extracurricular activities. An additional economic benefit of this race is the amount of business the racers and spectators bring to the shops and restaurants of San Manuel.

So mark your calendars today for the first of February 2014 for the San Manuel Copper Classic. Watch for the race fliers that will be posted in stores around town for more details. Hope we see you on race day!



A rider goes airborne during the 2013 Copper Classic. (File photo)

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The First Baptist Church presents *The Empty Manger: a Christmas play*

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Trustee Sale No: 01802719
Notice Of Trustee's Sale

Recording date: December 3, 2013
The following legally described trust property will be sold, pursuant to the power of sale under that certain Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents dated May 22, 2000, and recorded on June 12, 2000 in Instrument Number 2000-024641, and thereafter assigned to PR Investor Services, Inc., a Washington corporation, as Agent for the Series 2001-A Noteholders in Meridian Mortgage Investors Fund I, LLC, a Washington limited liability company, pursuant to that certain Assignment and Security Agreement dated January 15, 2001 on April 25, 2003 in Instrument Number 2003-026851, Records of Pinal County, Arizona at public auction to the highest bidder at the main entrance to the Superior Court Building, 971 North Jason Lopez Circle, Bldg A, Florence, AZ on March 5, 2014 at 10:00AM of said day. Legal: See Exhibit "A" Attached Hereto And Made A Part Hereof The street address is purported to be: Vacant Land Pinal County, AZ Tax Parcel Number: 511-26-009C Original Principal Balance: \$ 79,000.00 Name and address of original Trustor: Virginio Roman-Salgado and Leonor Roman, husband and wife 5908 N Begonia St. Casa Grande, AZ 85222 Name and address of the Beneficiary: PR Investor Services, Inc., a Washington corporation, as Agent for the Series 2001-A Noteholders in Meridian Mortgage Investors Fund I, LLC, a Washington limited liability company, pursuant to that certain Assignment and Security Agreement dated January 15, 2001 Meridian Investors Trust 1420 5th Ave Ste 2211 Seattle, WA 98101 Name and address of Trustee: Lawyers Title Of Arizona, Inc. Trustee Sales Department 3131 E Camelback Rd., Ste 220 Phoenix, AZ 85016 Trustee's Phone Number: (602) 257-2600 Sale Information: www.lawyerstitlearizona.com Conveyance of the property shall be without warranty, expressed or implied, and subject to all liens, claims or interest having a priority senior to the Deed of Trust. The Trustee shall not express an opinion as to the condition of title. Dated December 3, 2013 Lawyers Title of Arizona, Inc., an Arizona corporation, By: /s/ Jane Kirk, Trustee Sale Officer Manner of Trustee Qualification: a corporation doing business as an Escrow Agent pursuant to A.R.S.33-803(A) (1) Name of Trustee's Regulator: Arizona Department of Financial Institution State Of Arizona) ss. County Of Maricopa) On December 3, 2013, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Jane Kirk, Trustee Sale Officer, Lawyers Title Of Arizona, Inc. personally known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument. Witness my hand and official seal. /s/ Ruth Flowers Notary Public My commission expires February 12, 2017 Trustee Sale No: 01802719 Notice Of Trustee's Sale Exhibit "A" Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 8, Township 7 South, Range 6 East of the Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Pinal County, Arizona; Measure Westerly along the Section line, bearing South 89 degrees 47 minutes West, a distance of 1,327.83 feet to the True Point Of Beginning; Thence continue South 89 degrees 47 minutes West, a distance of 663.20 feet to a point; Thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 22 seconds West, along the centerline of Sandstone Street, a distance of 656.40 feet to a point; Thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes East, a distance of 663.91 feet to a point; Thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 15 seconds West, a distance of 656.40 feet to the True Point Of Beginning; Excepting Therefrom the West 25 feet thereof.
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San Manuel - On Sun., Dec. 22 the First Baptist Church, at the corner of First Avenue and Nichols in San Manuel, will be

presenting "The Empty Manger", a Christmas play, at 6 pm. The Tri-Community is invited to come and share this

special time with others, in celebration of Jesus, the Christ child's birth. The Wednesday Night Children will be involved

in the program, singing favorite Christmas carols. Snacks will be served after the performance. On Dec. 24, the First Baptist Church will be holding Candlelight

Service at 6 pm, led by Pastor Kevin Duncan. All of the Tri-Community is invited to share in this special time of reflection and renewal of heart and spirit.

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Trustee Sale No. 20997-1492
Notice Of Trustee's Sale

Loan No. 9500351164 The following legally described trust property will be sold, pursuant to the power of sale under that certain Deed of Trust dated April 2, 2007, and recorded on April 5, 2007 in Fee No. 2007-041559, Records of Pinal, Arizona, at public auction to the highest bidder at the main entrance to the Superior Court Building, 971 North Jason Lopez Circle, Building A, Florence, Arizona on 18th day of February, 2014 at 10:00 AM of said day. Legal: Lot 49, of San Tan Ranches Unit 4, according to the plat of record in the office of the County Recorder of Pinal County, Arizona, recorded in Book 15 of Maps, Page 10; Excepted all coal and other minerals as reserved in Patent from United States of America. Street Address or Identifiable Location: 8798 Quail Trail Queen Creek, Arizona 85142 Tax Parcel No.: 509-06-05303 Original Principal Balance: \$165,000.00 Name and address of Original Trustor: John C. Blount and Tami C. Blount 19617 East Ocotillo Road Queen Creek, Arizona 85142 Name and address of Purported Current Owner: John C. Blount and Tami C. Blount 19617 East Ocotillo Road Queen Creek, Arizona 85142 Name and address of Beneficiary: BMO Harris Bank, N.A. as successor by merger to M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank 770 North Water Street Milwaukee, WI 53202 Name and address of Current Trustee: Scott L. Potter Jackson White, P.C. 40 North Center Street, Suite 200 Mesa, AZ 85201 Phone (480) 464-1111 Dated: November 13th, 2013. /s/ Scott L. Potter, Trustee Manner of Trustee Qualification: A member of the State Bar of Arizona, required by A.R.S. § 33-803, Subsection A(2) Trustee's Regulator: State Bar of Arizona (State Of Arizona) ss. County of Maricopa) On the 13th day of November, 2013, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appears Scott L. Potter, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, ad that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument. Witness my hand and official seal. /s/ /s/ Kirsten M Sargent Notary Public My commission expires: 2/5/14
Publish: 11/27/13, 12/4/13, 12/11/13, 12/18/13

Public Notice

File No. 5710-TS
Notice Of Trustee's Sale

Recorded: 11/18/2013 The following legally described trust property will be sold pursuant to the power of sale under that certain Deed of Trust dated September 9, 1999, and recorded on September 13, 1999, in Fee Number 1999-041391, records of Pinal County, Arizona, at public auction to the highest bidder the main entrance to the Superior Court Building, 971 North Jason Lopez Circle, Building A, Florence, Arizona, on February 20, 2014, at the hour of 11:30 o'clock in the morning of said day. The property to be sold is situated in Pinal County, Arizona, and is described as follows: See Exhibit "A" Attached Hereto And By This Reference Made A Part Hereof Property Address: 26979 East Orville Street Florence, Arizona 85132 Tax Parcel Number: 206-28-098G Original Principal Balance: \$107,317.79 Original Trustor: Andrew J. Lopez 9020 N. Canitado Lane Florence, AZ 85232 Current Trustor: Andrew J. Lopez 26979 E. Orville Street Florence, AZ 85132 Current Beneficiary: The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York, as Trustee U/A dated as of November 1, 1999 c/o Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. 500 Alcoa Trail Maryville, TN 37804 Trustee: Jeffrey S. Katz, Attorney at Law a Member of the State Bar of Arizona 2823 E. Speedway Blvd., Suite 201 Tucson, AZ 85716 (520) 745-9200 Dated this 18th day of November, 2013. /s/ Jeffrey S. Katz, Attorney at Law Trustee/Successor Trustee, is qualified per A.R.S. Section 33-803 (A)2 as a member of The Arizona State Bar (State of Arizona) ss. County of Pima) The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 18th day of November, 2013, by Jeffrey S. Katz, Attorney at Law, a Member of the State Bar of Arizona as Successor Trustee. /s/ S. Diederich Notary Public My commission expires: 5-30-2015 Exhibit "A" The West half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 5 South, Range 10 East, of the Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Pinal County, Arizona; Except therefrom all coal, oil, gas, and other mineral deposits as reserved in the Patent recorded in Book 61 of Deeds, Page 13.
Publish: 12/18/13, 12/25/13, 1/1/14, 1/8/14

Public Notice

Trustee Sale No. 20997-1496
Notice Of Trustee's Sale

Loan No. 9500356554 The following legally described trust property will be sold, pursuant to the power of sale under that certain Deed of Trust dated December 15, 2006, and recorded on December 19, 2006 in Fee No. 2006-173050, Records of Pinal, Arizona, at public auction to the highest bidder at the main entrance to the Superior Court Building, 971 North Jason Lopez Circle, Building A, Florence, Arizona on 18th day of February, 2014 at 10:00 AM of said day. Legal: Lot 32, Eloy North, according to the plat of record in the office of the County Recorder of Pinal County, Arizona, in Book 17 of Maps, Page 7. Street Address or Identifiable Location: 413 W. 14th Eloy, Arizona 85131 Tax Parcel No.: 401-57-032 Original Principal Balance: \$98,550.00 Name and address of Original Trustor: Gilbert Cervantes 413 W. 14th Eloy, Arizona 85131 Name and address of Purported Current Owner: Gilbert Cervantes 413 W. 14th Eloy, Arizona 85131 Name and address of Beneficiary: BMO Harris Bank, N.A. as successor by merger to M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank 770 North Water Street Milwaukee, WI 53202 Name and address of Current Trustee: Scott L. Potter Jackson White, P.C. 40 North Center Street, Suite 200 Mesa, AZ 85201 Phone (480) 464-1111 Dated: November 14th, 2013. /s/ Scott L. Potter, Trustee Manner of Trustee Qualification: A member of the State Bar of Arizona, required by A.R.S. § 33-803, Subsection A(2) Trustee's Regulator: State Bar of Arizona (State Of Arizona) ss. County of Maricopa) On the 14th day of November, 2013, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appears Scott L. Potter, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, ad that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument. Witness my hand and official seal. /s/ /s/ Kirsten M Sargent Notary Public My commission expires: 2-5-14
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Swimming

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400 Freestyle Relay. The group of Sea Lion Boys at the meet; Ethan Kellam (7), Joey Castellanos (8), Mason Stewart (8), Rocky Andrade(8), Evan Apuron(10), Riley Stewart (10), and Jayden Smith (11) were able to finish in the top 3 places in all 6 relays they competed in, swimming in both the 10 and under and 12 and under age groups.

Several Sea Lion swimmers earned individual medals at the meet. Darien Apuron finished 2nd in the 400 Individual Medley (IM), Gianna Sweeney finished 3rd in the 1650 Freestyle and 2nd in the 100 IM, Riley Stewart finished 3rd

in the 50 Breaststroke and 2nd in the 100 Backstroke, and Will Newman finished 3rd in both the 100 Back and 200 Back. Tabitha Kellam and Evan Apuron became regulars on the award stand as Tabitha received a total of 8 medals (1st 100 Fly, 1st 100 IM, 2nd 500 Free, 2nd 100 Back, 2nd 100 Breast, 2nd 200 IM, 3rd 200 Free) and Evan received a total of 6 medals (1st 50 Fly, 1st 100 Fly, 1st 100 IM, 1st 50 Free, 2nd 200 IM, 3rd 200 Free). As much as the swimmers wanted to win races and earn medals at the meet, the ability to achieve qualifying times for the State Championship Meet was the ultimate prize. Darien Apuron achieved qualifying times in the 50 Back, 50 Fly and 200 Back. Gianna Sweeney achieved qualifying times in the 100 IM and 200 Breaststroke.

Tabitha, Riley, Evan, and Will all have qualified previously and will compete in the 2014 Age Group State Championship Meet in March.

The Sea Lions practice in the Oro Valley pool during the winter months and in the San Manuel Pool in the warmer months. Anyone wanting more information about the Sea Lions Swim Team can contact Alex Gort at 896-2190.

Public Notice

NOTICE (for publication) ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION HAVE BEEN FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION FOR I. Name: DOUBLE ENTRY LLC L-1887866-0 II. The address of the known place of business is: 212 West Superstition Blvd, Ste. 103 Apache Junction, AZ 85120 III. The name and street address of the Statutory Agent is: Nicole Navarro 212 West Superstition Blvd, Ste. 103 Apache Junction, AZ 85120 Management of the limited liability company is vested in a manager or managers. The names and addresses of each person who is a manager AND each member who owns a twenty percent or greater interest in the capital or profits of the limited liability company are: John Ehrlich, 212 W. Superstition Blvd, Ste. 103 Apache Junction, AZ 85120 member manager Jeffrey Ehrlich; 5301 S. Superstition Min Dr. St. 104 PMB490 Gold Canyon, AZ 85118 member manager
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Dec. 7

Theft was reported in the 6500 block of N. Pebbles Pkwy., Dudleyville. The report was later determined to be a civil matter.

Theft of a wallet was reported in the 200 block of E. Fourth St., San Manuel.

Dec. 8

Theft of a generator, golf clubs and other items was reported in the 200 block of N. Nichols Ave., San Manuel.

A vehicle fire was reported in the area of E. Webb Rd., San Manuel.

An accident with injuries was reported in the 400 block of S. McNab Pkwy., San Manuel. A vehicle crashed into a garage and the driver sustained injuries.

Dec. 9

Joseph Lee Cogdell, 23, Oracle, was arrested in the 2100 block of W. American Ave., Oracle, and was charged with disorderly conduct, aggravated harassment and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

Theft of a distributor cap was reported in the 200 block of E. Fifth St., San Manuel.

Deputies cited a driver in the 600 block of W. Sixth Ave., San Manuel, for displaying fictitious license plates.

Dec. 10

Criminal damage was

reported in the area of N. Rockliffe Blvd. and W. Oracle Ranch Rd., Oracle. A driver ran over a construction sign, damaging it.

Theft of jewelry was reported in the 39000 block of S. Winding Trail Dr., SaddleBrooke.

Criminal damage to a wood fence was reported in the 600 block of W. Webb Dr., San Manuel.

Dec. 11

Assault was reported in the 36000 block of S. Mt. Lemmon Rd., Oracle.

Theft of a shotgun was reported in the 200 block of S. Avenue A, San Manuel. The shotgun was described as a Remington 16 gauge auto/shotgun with a scope. Also discovered missing were a .22 auto/rifle of unknown make and a Mikita power drill.

Burglary was reported in the 200 block of E. Fifth St., San Manuel.

Dec. 12

Estevan Daniel Garcia, 29, Winkelman, was arrested at milepost 93 on Highway 77, Oracle, and was charged with aggravated driving while under the influence of alcohol and driving on a suspended license. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

Theft of a vehicle was reported in the 400 block of S. Tierra Verde Pl., San Manuel. The vehicle was described as a blue 1997 Ford Taurus.

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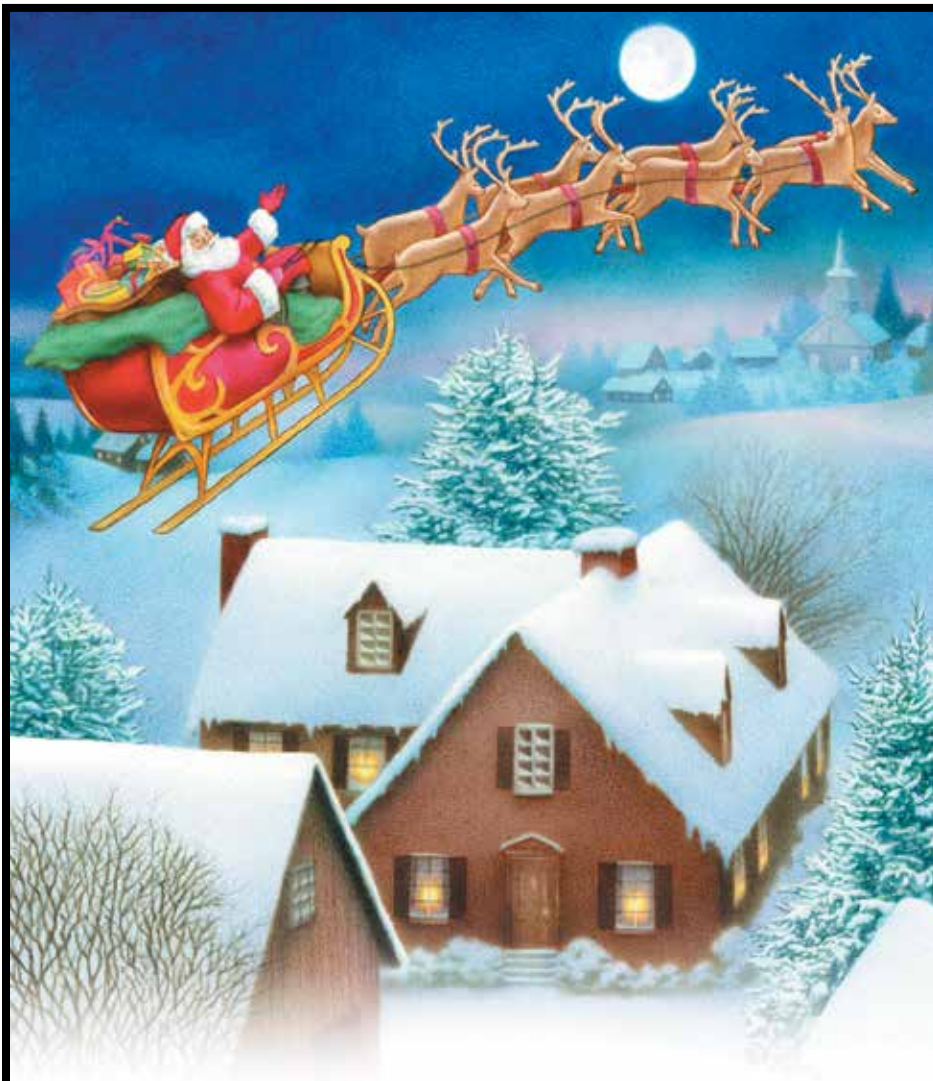
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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

The signs are everywhere;
From mistletoe and strings of light;
To magic in the air;
And if you look high in the sky,
You may see Santa's Sleigh –
Delivering our warm wishes
For a Merry Holiday!



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Adelante Juntos Coalition, El Centro Center still serving the community; New Year's Dance planned

San Manuel - Adelante Juntos Coalition (AJC) and El Centro Center are still up and running, serving the Tri-Community. After the resignation of Betty Chavez, many have been under the assumption that AJC and El Centro Center have relocated to Superior.

Diana Polanco, Project Assistant, has taken on the role of maintaining AJC and the many projects, such as El Centro, here in San Manuel. El Centro Center, which provides the community with a safe place

to go outside and socialize, keeping the youth of the community out of trouble, is being run by Daniel Shenk, from the hours of 3 pm - 8 pm, Tuesday - Saturday.

AJC and El Centro are holding a dance on Dec. 27, from 7 pm - 11 pm. Keep an eye out for information regarding AJC and El Centro Center. Please contact Diana Polanco at 520-385-3028, Monday - Friday, from 10 am - 3 pm, or, visit the office at 321 S. Avenue B in San Manuel for more information.

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