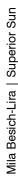
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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Many reasons for concern

I have filed complaints with the Attorney General's office before and asked for follow-ups, and not received a personal contact. The web site says I will be contacted. So here I go again. This is a letter to the editor from a local tax paying business man. At the past Superior town council meeting the mayor was accused of misuse of town funds at a local casino which occurred more than once. The whistle blower clerk (who has been there less than six months) was being fired after explaining the town credit/debit cards were being used by the mayor at which time the vote was 3 to fire and 3 to not fire the clerk. The mayor (accused) cast the deciding vote to fire her. So here is my complaint - Gross Conflict of Interest. In my opinion NO ONE should be walking around with a "key" to the town taxpayer's bank account. I have been told that the Town Manager (who was acting town clerk at the time of misuse) also has town credit cards, and then there are

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rumors of missing checks. In my opinion there are many reasons to have a full audit for the tax payer's protection.

Also there is reason to believe dereliction of duty should be investigated such as not collecting all taxes, permit fees, license fees, sewer/water bills, and repairing the huge cracks in Main Street before the asphalt starts to fall apart, re-striping the parking areas on Main Street and no animal control.

Obvious use of selective code enforcement: some of the businesses are required to have a number of parking spaces and some no parking spaces; some must adhere to sign regulations some not; some property owners are required to obey the residential zoning when some properties have 2 or 3 travel trailers on one lot and living in them. One council member is allowed to have an industrial storage lot in a residential zone, there is the use of town personnel and equipment on private property, and there is another dump being created on the driveway to the old dump.

Isn't it interesting that town assets are awarded to council members and or previous members? Where is the military truck that the town was awarded?

In my opinion there are many reasons the State's Attorney or the Attorney General should listen to the complaints that are voiced at many town council meeting of the past and which you will not find in the recorded town council minutes. The meetings have been reduced to once per month so now it takes two months plus to see the minutes on the town website, if then.

/s/ Sonnie Sansom

Local Taxpaying Taxpayer Business Man

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### OBITUARIES

# Norberto 'Tito' Varela

Norberto "Tito" Varela was born in Lordsburg, New Mexico on June 6, 1930 to Norbert and Rejugia Varela.

He was such a wonderful father and Tata to extended family also a great friend to many. He passed away Jan. 4, 2016.

Norberto is preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Lenora. He is survived by his daughter, Linda Aguilar and Son, Sonny Varela. He has two brothers, three sisters, many nephews, cousins, two grandchildren, Lisa and Anthony Sr.; great-grandchildren, Xavier,



Mario, Sabrina and Anthony Jr.; and a very special niece Vicky.

He was a miner for most of his life working in Lordsburg, New Mexico, Bisbee and Superior, AZ. A Memorial mass will be held at St. Francis of Assisi in Superior on Friday, Jan. 15, 2016 at 10 a.m.

# Jesus 'Chuy' L. **Apodaca**

Jesus "Chuy" L. Apodaca, 61, passed away at 10:05 p.m.

on Friday, Jan. 1, 2016, in Apache Junction.



He was born Feb. 3, 1954 in Ray, AZ. He attended and graduated from Superior Schools and was a member of the 1972 Class A State Champion baseball team. He attended college at Mt. Sac in California, graduating in 1992 with an Associate of Science degree.

He had a very kind heart and great smile. He was loved by many. He

enjoyed dancing, coaching and was a big fan of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

He will be dearly missed by all who knew him. He is survived by his loving wife, Myrna Apodaca; children, Dominique, Christopher and Billy; stepdaughter, Yvonne; mother, Mary Helen Ramirez; father, Alejandro "Billy" Apodaca; nine grandchildren; four brothers and four sisters.

Services for Mr. Apodaca were held Saturday, Jan. 9, 2016, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Superior. An online guestbook can be viewed at www. superiorfuneral.com.

# **Superior Police Report**

According to state law, police may arrest suspected offenders by two methods. 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 damage amounts are estimates.

Items are given to The Superior Sun by the Superior Police Department and reflect information available at the

#### time the report is compiled. Jan. 1

Thomas K. Clark, 60, Alberta, Canada, was arrested in the 200 block of Main St. and was charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol, having an open container of alcohol and consuming alcohol while driving. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail in Florence. Joseph C. Heath, 51, Superior, was arrested in the 300 block of Gibbs St. and was charged with assault/domestic violence (DV) and disorderly conduct/DV. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

#### Jan. 2

Johnny Y. Morales, 47, Superior, was arrested in the 400 block of Stone Ave. and was charged with aggravated assault/DV and criminal damage/DV. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

Theft was reported in the 1000 block of Western Ave.

#### Jan. 4

Criminal damage was reported in the 100 block of Sunset Dr.

Road rage was reported in the 800 block of Western Ave.

Jan. 5

A vehicle was reported stolen in the 200 block of Heiner Dr.

#### Jan. 6

An accident without injuries was reported in the area of Heiner Dr. and Magma Ave.

Max S. Molina, 48, Apache Junction, was arrested in the area of Hwy. 60 and Belmont Ave. and was charged with having an open container of alcohol. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

#### Jan. 7

Theft was reported in the 800 block of Western Ave.

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& Citizens of Superior

# **Central Arizona College hosts** spring registration event

PINAL COUNTY, Ariz. - Students have until Saturday, Jan. 16, to register for the spring 2016 semester at Central Arizona College.

Special registration hours will be held throughout the district at the college's Aravaipa, Maricopa, Signal Peak, San Tan and Superstition Mountain campuses on Saturday, Jan. 16, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The College's Corporate Center, located in Casa Grande will be open Friday, Jan. 15, from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 16 from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m.

Central Arizona College implemented On Time Registration to assist students in preparing to be more successful in the classroom. Students will only be permitted to enroll in a class that has not already met.

For students registering using CAC's online student services, open classes will be available for enrollment until midnight prior to the first day of the semester. After that, students must register in-person and must do so prior to the first meeting of the class.

Services that will be available on Saturday, Jan. 16 at all campus locations include:

- Advising
- Cashier
- · Financial Aid
- Registration

The CAC Bookstore also will be open at all campus locations from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 16.

CAC's regular business hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Online services are available 24/7 for registration, financial aid, tutoring and the library.

For more information about services available at each of the CAC locations, please visit www.centralaz.edu or contact the Student Affairs Help Desk at 520-494-5111 or IT Help Desk at 520-494-5678.

For more than 45 years, Central Arizona College has been serving and educating the diverse communities of Pinal County. With eight campuses and centers located strategically throughout the county, CAC provides accessible, educational, economic, cultural, and personal growth opportunities for those of all ages.





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- · Replace the loss

· Grieve alone

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- · Bury your feelings

Your feelings are normal and natural. The problem is that we have been socialized to believe that these feelings are abnormal and unnatural.

Whether your loss is from:

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Loss of a career

Loss of trust

Loss of faith

Loss of safety

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#### 2007 Ford Focus SE

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# In your Biz

Jodi Williams Helmer and Pat Dickerson

ocated on Main Street in downtown Superior is a unique store called The Salvage Company. It is filled with lots of antique and refurbished treasures for your home and garden. It is also a one of a kind shop to find those rustic pieces you may need to finish your own do it yourself (DIY) project if you are looking for old barn wood, rustic tin or other industrial like materials. Here's a little more information about The Salvage Company on how they found Superior and they types of services and products they provide. How Did you Find Superior? Pat Dickenson has been an interior decorator for 25 years. She started off selling

# The Salvage Company

furniture with a friend at a barn show and eventually opened her business full time. In the past year she and her daughter-in-law decided to have a permanent retail space. They started to look in the East Valley but could not quite find what they wanted and started looking at smaller towns and found Superior. "We loved it and we went with it," explained Pat. Pat's daughter-in-law Jodi Williams Helmer has been with The Salvage Co. for at least 10 years.

What types of services and products do you provide? The Salvage Company provides interior design services for homes and commercial properties. When they create the design they also complete the work to install the design. The store front in Superior also offers DIY classes from bring-your-own-piece to classes where the Salvage Co. provides a piece of furniture to paint or distress.

With such a unique and diverse amount of materials and products in their store they will buy from those wishing to sell used, old or rustic items. They also have shoppers in Nebraska, Kansas and occasionally the family takes trips to Mexico to find other unique products. **Hours of Operation:** The store is open Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and noon to 4 p.m. on Sundays mostly and also is open during the Second Friday Events from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. The hours are not always regular due to the shows they often attend throughout the state. To keep up with The Salvage Company they can be found on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter

and they even do commercials on their Vimeo channel. All of this can be found on their website:http://www.thesalvageco. com

Best Advice to Business Owners and Future Business Owners: "Love what you do and don't give up," explained Pat. She explained that over the years she has had to tweak things or make changes but she never gave up. "It's a 24/7 commitment to make things a success." The "In Your Biz" column is sponsored weekly by the Superior Chamber of Commerce in an effort to further promote their business members. To learn more about the Superior Chamber of Commerce you can visit their website www.superiorarizonachamber.org or call them at 520-689-0200. The Chamber meets the third Friday of every month at their building 165 Main St. in Superior,





Pat Dickerson, center, with customers.

# El Niño brings winter to Arizona





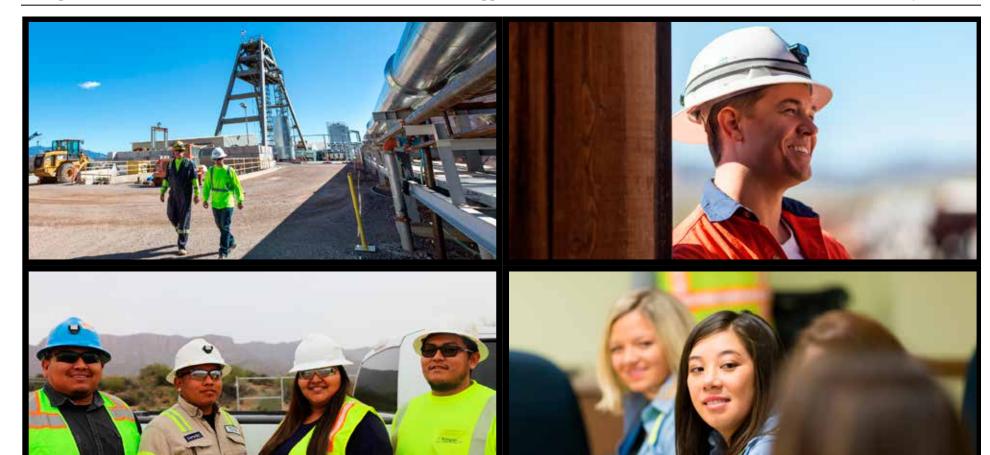
Last week was the first week of what is expected to be a very cold and rainy winter for Arizona. After just a few days of rain Queen Creek flowed through Superior. Many hikers, walkers and those just enjoying the rare moments when water flows freely through the desert visited Superior to see the creek and waterfalls running. Just a few miles east of Superior, El Niño left plenty of snow for everyone to enjoy. Drivers are encouraged to be cautious as rocks may be loose due to the rains and snow and freezing temperatures at night make for icy roads.



Snowplows were out in force Thursday, Jan. 7, after a hard-hitting snow storm blanketed the area. Highways through mountain passes were closed periodically while plows worked to clear the roads. John Hernandez | Copper Area News



Snow lightly covered parts of San Manuel Thursday, although not in the quantities seen in Oracle. School for Mammoth-San Manuel students went on as usual.



# Resolution Copper hiring locally

Resolution Copper is committed to creating jobs that benefit our local community. We invite applications for the following Superior based contract positions. Contract appointments are for a fixed term of one year and extendable as business needs dictate.

- Environmental Technician Environmental Permitting
- Environmental Technician Environmental Compliance
- Native American Affairs Liaison

Preference will be given to experienced candidates in the relevant field. For full job descriptions and resume submittal instructions, visit www.resolutioncopper.com/about-us/careers/

Applications will be accepted until filled.





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# Panthers extend winning streak

By Andrew Luberda Superior Sun

The Superior boys' basketball team extended its winning streak to six games after a 66 – 46 at Hayden last Tuesday night. The game was the Panthers' first since the holiday break ended.

The Panthers, the state's No. 16-ranked team, won five-straight games before the break and have an

average margin of victory of more than 27 points per game during the streak.

Sophomore Marcos Bueno scored a game-high 21 points in the win against the Lobos, shooting 3-for-7 from three-point range and 6-for-8 from the field. He also grabbed nine rebounds and dished out three assists.

Junior Jalon Murray had a double-double in the victory – 10 points and 12 rebounds – to go along with

three assists and two steals.

Nicolaus Cruz, a junior, added nine points in addition to five rebounds and a game-high five assists.

The Panthers, who are undefeated in sectional play (2 – 0), share the top spot in the section with No. 1-ranked San Carlos.

**Upcoming schedule:** Jan. 13 at Duncan, Jan. 15 vs. Ft. Thomas, and Jan. 19 at Santa Cruz Valley. All games are scheduled for 7 p.m.

# Lady Panthers split last two games

By Andrew Luberda Superior Sun

The Superior girls' basketball team split two games in its first action since the holiday break ended, losing at Hayden last Tuesday before defeating Gilbert Classical Academy at home last Friday, 21 – 10.

Ariana San Miguel and Silvia Longoria each scored six points in the loss to the Lady Lobos. Victoria Juarez, Analysse Juarez, and Phalicitee Thomas each scored two points in the game.

Thomas, a senior, grabbed a team-high eight rebounds while San Miguel, Jalissa Murray, and Maribel Castro each pulled down seven rebounds. Longoria led the Lady Panthers with three steals. Thomas, San Miguel, Castro, and Gabby Salcido each had two. **Upcoming schedule:** Jan. 13 at Duncan, Jan. 15 vs. Ft. Thomas, and Jan. 19 at Santa Cruz. All games are scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

## Registration begins for Superior Little League

Batter up and get a home run by registering your child for the 2016 Little League season early! League officials have announced that registration is now open and they have scheduled several dates to register your children.

Registration will be held at the Superior Junior Senior High School multipurpose room from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Dates for registration are January 15th, 20th, and 27th; February 2nd, 8th, 18th, 22nd and 26th; March 4th, 7th, 11th, 14th, 18th, 21st, 22nd, and the 25th.

Parents of T-Ballers should be aware that the last day to register your t-baller is February 26th. March 25th is the

last day for registration for the rest of the league.

Players who are age nine and over need to bring their birth certificate, proof of residency and or a school enrollment form. Proof of residency documents must be dated February 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016. Children under the age of nine do not need to bring in the residency forms.

Registration fees are \$45 for the first child, \$35 for the second child and each additional child is \$10. All children must live in the same household to receive the household discounts.









# Property owners who have a widow, widower or disabled exemption need to renew that exemption by March 1

FLORENCE -- Pinal County Assessor Douglas Wolf announced today that property owners who have a widow, widower or disabled exemption need to renew that exemption by March 1st 2016.

The renewal process can be handled through the mail and must be notarized. Any person applying for an exemption for the 1st time must appear in person.

"Under state law, those who have lost a spouse and have limited income can apply for the exemption. Applications must be renewed every 3 years. Those wishing to renew or apply for a new exemption can do so at the Florence Assessor's office, at the Casa Grande county complex on Cottonwood road on Tuesdays or Thursdays, or at the Apache Junction county complex on Idaho

Road on Mondays or Wednesdays," said Wolf.

"For residents living in the eastern portion of the county, we have scheduled an outreach session in Mammoth in cooperation with Supervisor Pete Rios. We will have representatives at his office at 111 Catalina Avenue, in Mammoth on February 3rd from 9:30 AM -1:00 PM," added Assessor Wolf. All applications require a valid Arizona Driver's License or Arizona ID, Death Certificate, Arizona income tax return for 2015 and the deed and property tax bill. For more information call the Assessor's office at 520-866-6361 or visit www.pinalcountyaz. gov/Assessor and click on Exemptions in the left side menu.

In addition, all not for profit organizations must also reapply for tax exempt status by March 1st.

# Free workshop series at CAC for adult students

Pinal County, AZ – Central Arizona College will offer an expanded Pathways to Success workshop series during the Spring 2016 semester. This series is designed to assist nontraditional adult students in getting a jumpstart on their education and career success.

Workshops this spring will focus on customer service, stress management, workplace conflict, how to start planning now for your lifelong career, how to structure your resume to be noticed and how to be confident in any interview

Pathways to Success workshops will be held from 3 p.m. until 4:15 p.m. via interactive TV (ITV) at the following campus and center locations:

- Aravaipa Campus (80440 E. Aravaipa Rd., Room E108, Winkelman, AZ 85192)
- Casa Grande Center (1015 E. Florence Blvd., Room B103B, Casa Grande, AZ 85122)
- Maricopa Campus (17945 N. Regent Dr., Room B113, Maricopa, AZ 85138)
- Superstition Mountain Campus (805 S. Idaho Rd., Room C105, Apache Junction, AZ 85119)
- Signal Peak Campus (8470 N. Overfield Rd., Room 0208B, Coolidge, AZ 85128)
- San Tan Campus (3736 E. Bella Vista Rd., Room C124, San Tan Valley, AZ 85143)

The following is the workshop schedule for Spring 2016:

Jan. 19 Excellence in Customer Service Jan. 26 Stress Management

Feb. 2 Internships – Educational and career value in experience

Feb. 9 Community Resource Feb. 16 Workplace Conflict

Feb. 23 Resume – How to structure your resume to be noticed

March 1 Community Resource

March 8 Interviews – How to be confident in any interview

March 22 Reaching Across Generations March 29 Dream Job - how to start planning now for your lifelong career April 5 Community Resource

April 12 Playing Nice in the Sandbox -Generational differences in the workplace April 19 Cultural Diversity

April 26 Workplace relationships- Working with you is killing me

May 3 Community Resource

May 10 Community Resource May 17 Emotional Intelligence

May 17 Emotional Intelligence May 24 Community Resource

For additional information regarding these workshops please contact 520-494-5010 or email Sherrie Soria, Director of Student Retention at sherrie.soria@centralaz.edu.

January 2016

The Superior Food Bank would like to thank the generous people of Superior for all that they do to help us. `Very special thanks' goes to Resolution for the monies donated to help us purchase the turkeys and hams for Thanksgiving and Christmas. They also supplied the green bags we used for the monthly food boxes. Also, when we ran out, they went out of their way to purchase enough bags from different vendors to help us out for the Christmas food boxes. A very wonderful team came over to help us bag for the holidays. We are truly blessed by their generous help. Thank you, again!

Thank you to the Superior High School DECA club. They raised enough funds needed to complete the purchase of all the hams for our Christmas food boxes. They have helped before and it was a great blessing to us.

Thank you to all of our school kids and their can drives. It is wonderful to have such caring people in our community.

Thank you to Michael Hing for taking the time and making the effort to find the best prices on the turkeys and hams. Thank you for storing them until distribution time. Thanks for helping us throughout the entire year, on the many items we needed to make up complete food boxes.

Thanks to the generous group of people who put on the Cornhole Tournament. You collected cans and donated the proceeds to the food bank. Also, to United Way, who has helped us to pay our utility bills and purchase extra food.

Thank you to the Town of Superior. You have stood by us and helped out when and how you can. Special thanks to the mayor for finding the funding to acquire a new Master Cooler. Thanks too, for being ready to send a truck out, when the UFB truck broke down while making the Christmas delivery.

There are so many families, individuals, churches and businesses that have contributed throughout the year. To you, we offer our continual thanks. We owe you a debt of gratitude. You have kept us going when things were lean. All year we must buy extra food and keep the utilities on. The freezers and refrigerators that we have are necessary to keep the food from spoiling, but they are expensive to keep running.

Last of all, Very Special Thanks goes out to ALL of the many, very wonderful volunteers who have helped us throughout this past year. We could not have accomplished all that we did without your wonderful help. In keeping track of the numbers, we found that we serve 18-23 percent of the town of Superior with food boxes (except at Christmas, when the numbers swelled to one-third) – and they also say thank you for help in feeding their families. Yes, this ratio is quite high when compared to other towns, but it is what we must deal with each month.

Our hope and prayer is that all of our friends will continue to help in this new year. But especially, because of your generous and kind spirits, that you will be blessed in all you do. Have a wonderful, happy and prosperous New Year!

On behalf of the Superior Food Bank Board, "THANK YOU!" Dennis Van Gorp, chairman.

Have a story idea for us? Email your suggestions to editor@minersunbasin.com

# Litter Hotline delivers gentle, vital message: trashing Arizona costs us all

PHOENIX – Those who litter along Arizona highways can face fines up to \$500. But those fortunate enough to have fellow motorists rather than law enforcement see them may wind up getting a letter warning about the harm litter causes – and a litter bag.

In partnership with Keep Arizona Beautiful, a statewide nonprofit organization that empowers citizens to care for their environment through litter prevention,

# Get Yourself in a Good Relationship with God

n Deuteronomy 1:48 we read: "I told you, but you would not listen. You rebelled against the Lord's command and in your arrogance you went off in the wrong direction."

Many suffer from 'self will,' doing what 'I' want to do, when and how. That is a good way to end a relationship. Friends, relatives and co-workers surround us in what is called, a relationship – something easily ruined or destroyed by being insensitive to others.

Relationships grounded in God are filled with love and understanding. They are not affected by temporary issues or difficulties. They easily weather the storms and hard times.

Begin this year by developing a good relationship with the Lord Jesus. He will not steer you wrong or leave you



## **PASTOR'S CORNER**

**By Dennis Van Gorp** Family Life Christian Center

alone by yourself. Walk 2016 with Jesus by your side and guiding you; making it the best year yet! recycling and beautification, the Arizona Department of Transportation maintains a Litter Hotline allowing the public to report those who trash our highways. Providing a vehicle's license plate number and other details to 1-877-3LITTER, or through an online form on Keep Arizona Beautiful's website at kazb.org, results in a cautionary letter being sent.

About 1,500 letters go out each year. Nothing is shared with law enforcement, and those reported have no points added to their driver licenses.

"Besides harming Arizona's land, water and quality of life, littering along highways is a significant cost to ADOT and, in the end, to all of us," ADOT Director John Halikowski said. "While those who litter deserve what they get if caught by law enforcement, a gentle reminder through the Litter Hotline can make someone think twice about tossing something out the window."

In the Phoenix area alone, highway maintenance crews pick up enough litter each year — about 1.2 million pounds in all — to fill more than 111,000 garbage bags.

In addition to the Litter Hotline, ADOT combats litter through its Adopt a Highway programs. Adopt a Highway volunteers can apply for two-year permits to clean up roadside litter, or businesses can contract with maintenance providers to perform the work as part of the Adopt a Highway sponsor program.

More information on ADOT's Adopt a Highway program is available at azdot.gov/ AdoptaHighway.

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# Superior Senior Center News

The Superior Senior Center, 360 W. Main St., invites seniors to join the center and enjoy a nice meal and great company. Meals are \$2 for adults 55 and over. Under 55 is \$4.

Gemini Hospice is offering a blood pressure clinic every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 12:30 p.m. This is conducted at the Superior Senior Center at 360 W Main. There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

Bingo is every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. The menu for the Superior Senior center for the week of Jan. 18-21 is:

- · Monday: CLOSED
- Tuesday: Sub Sandwich, Broccoli Soup, Apple
- Wednesday: Salisbury Steak, Baked Potato, Broccoli & Cauliflower, Fruit Cocktail, Cookie
- Thursday: Chicken w/Pasta & Carrots, Brussel Sprouts, Wheat Crackers, Cottage Cheese, Peach Cobbler Need a ride to the center? Call 689-5182.

# **SUPERIOR CHURCH DIRECTORY**

#### Presbyterian Church of Superior

100 Magma Ave., Superior

520-689-2631

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

Anonymous prayer box located at Save Money Market. We will pray for you!

#### **Superior Harvest** Church

Hill St. & Stone Ave., Superior

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

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

Victory in Jesus

#### **Calvary Superior**

921 S. Belmont Ave., Superior

**Pastor Rudy Paredes** 480-917-8950

Sunday Service 5 p.m. Thursday Service 7 p.m.

info@calvarychandler.com www.calvarychandler.com

#### St. Francis of Assisi **Catholic Church**

11 Church Ave., Superior

Fr. Samuel Jandeh 520-689-2250

Weekday Mass Tues.-Fri. 8 a.m. Saturday 5 p.m. · Sunday 9 & 11 a.m. Confession: Sat. 4-4:45 p.m. or by req. www.stfrancissuperior.org

#### Family Life Christian Center

56 Kellner Ave., Superior

Pastors Dennis & Sandy VanGorp 520-689-2202

Sunday Prayer 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

> Everyone is Welcome Assembly of God

#### Advertise **Your Church** Here!

To be included in the weekly church listing, call the Superior Sun at 520-363-5554.

# THIS 'N THAT

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### Free In-Home Blood Pressure **Checks Offered by Gemini**

Gemini Hospice is offering free In-Home Blood Pressure Checks. Call the office at 520-689-0104 to schedule. The check takes 10 minutes. We leave you with a card to keep track of your blood pressure and can put you on our schedule to return in two weeks.

#### **JANUARY**

#### Little League Registration to Begin

Superior Little League T-Ball and regular seasons registrations will begin Friday, Jan. 15, from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Superior Jr/Sr High School Multipurpose room. Registrations will also be held Jan. 20 and 27. For more information, contact Virginia Alonzo at 480-215-9144. Sonia Estatico at 520-827-9771. Martin Navarrette at 928-701-7451 or email questions superiorlittleleagueaz@gmail.com. Organizers are looking for coaches for T-Ball and all other divisions. if interested please come to fill out a volunteer form.

#### Superior Chamber Luncheon

Save the date for the Superior Chamber's first luncheon of the new year! The luncheon will be held Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 11:30 a.m. at the Superior Chamber of Commerce office, at 165 W. Main St. Please remember to register if you plan to attend.

#### **Free Good Grief** Workshop

Gemini Hospice will be sponsoring a free, eight-week Grief Workshop at the Superior Senior Citizen's Center, 360 W. Main St. in Superior. The workshop will start Jan. 21, 2016 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. If you are interested in participating or have any questions please call Connie at Gemini Outreach, 520-689-0104.

#### RFCU Plans Annual **40** Meeting

Ray Federal Credit Union's annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 26, at the Kearny Elks Lodge, starting at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served and there will be a free raffle for door prizes.



# Home Tour

On Jan. 30 and 31, the Superior Chamber of Commerce will be holding its annual Home and Building Tour at 165 W. Main St. in Superior, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Come see an eclectic assortment of renovated homes, learn what businesses used to be in our old buildings on Main St., enjoy a pancake breakfast, view Antique and Art shows, and watch the famous Mata Ortiz potters from Mexico as they craft, fire and sell their wares. In addition, join a group for a guided hike, relax and enjoy live music, and take a peek behind the Main St. buildings to see "colors galore" in progress. Ticket costs are \$12, presale tickets are \$10. Call 520-827-1773. For details and schedule, go to www.superiorarizonachamber.org, or call 520-689-0200.

### ON THE AGENDA

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

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

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

SUPERIOR ROTARY CLUB: The Superior Rotary Club is the oldest service club in Superior that is still in service today. If you are interested in becoming a Rotarian you can join them at their weekly meeting on Tuesdays at noon at Los Hermanos Restaurant.

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

#### SUPERIOR, ARIZONA COWBOY ROUND-UP ASSOC:

Anyone interested in joining the Superior, Arizona Cowbov Round-up Association should call Sandra Doyle at 509-936-

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

# Land of the Free

Americans have always been proud of their freedom. Immigrants come to America longing to be free. Politicians like to talk about freedom. America is the land of the free and home of the brave. For a country

that claims to value freedom, we sure take it away from many people. The United States imprisons more people than any other nation; even more than communist China and countries living under dictatorial rule.

There are currently approximately 2.2 million people in American jails. This is a 500% increase over the last 30 years. No doubt the driving forces behind the increase are the War on Drugs, mandatory sentencing laws, and the prison industrial complex. The private prison industry operates 10% of the prisons in the United States. Thanks to lobbyists who have bought off numerous legislators and state governors, the industry continues to grow. Their political influence is strong in Arizona. In Arizona which has the sixth highest incarceration rate in the

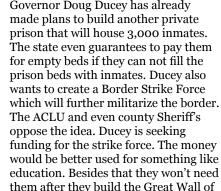
country, 17% of prisoners are in private prisons even though studies have shown that the state prisons operate more efficiently and economically. Prison for profit is wrong.

Senate Bill 1070 the show me your papers law was partially driven by the private prison industry as a way of filling prison cells. Governor Jan Brewer's campaign manager was a private prison lobbyist and our new

Governor Doug Ducey has already made plans to build another private prison that will house 3,000 inmates. The state even guarantees to pay them for empty beds if they can not fill the prison beds with inmates. Ducey also wants to create a Border Strike Force The ACLU and even county Sheriff's oppose the idea. Ducey is seeking funding for the strike force. The money them after they build the Great Wall of Trump.

Recently a study of the Pinal County iail shows that the incarceration rate had increased between 2012 and 2014 by 50% where nationally the incarceration rate during the same period increased at a rate of .4 %.

The Pinal County Board of Supervisors is blaming the County Attorney's Office for the increase which is costing the County tax payers money. It couldn't be that Sheriff Babeu needed to fill his jail beds after losing the ICE



contract? Don't forget this was the Law and Order Team when they ran together in 2011. Some will say that County Attorney Voyles was elected by riding Babeu's Tea stained coattails.

Our criminal justice system is broken, racially biased and needs to be fixed. We need new sentencing laws, prison reform, voting rights for inmates upon release, and a more equitable criminal justice system, you know, Liberty and Justice for All.

#### Author's Note:

I have been given the opportunity to express my opinion and viewpoints on politics, national, state, and local issues as well as life in general. I hope to inform you as well as entertain you, make you smile or make you mad. I will use humor, sarcasm and occasionally anger to express my views. My intention is to hold politicians accountable sometimes bringing some heat on them and if my views make you angry or hot, remember that like my humor, it is a dry heat. These opinions are entirely my own and do not reflect the views of Copper Area News Publishers.

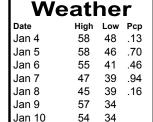
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Calls not listed include traffic stop (7), welfare check (5), disturbance (3), information (7), alarm drop (5), animal complaint (5), suspicious activity (3), 911 hang-up (1), medical (2), traffic hazard (1), citizen assist (2), utility problem (1), city code violation (1) and agency assist (6).

Citizens are reminded to call Silent Witness at 1-800-358-INFO, Crime Stop at 689-5611 or the Information Tip Line at 520-827-0065 if they have information that may help the police department in solving a crime.

The Superior Police and Fire Departments have contracted all dispatch services to the Pinal County Sheriff (POLICE) and Florence PD (FIRE). As a result of these changes, you need to know some new phone numbers.

- Emergency (Police Fire -Medical) 911
- Police Non-Emergency 520-866-5111
- Police Department Business 520-689-5255



Weather readings courtesy Boyce Thompson Arboretum.

#### **Public Notice**

TOWN OF SUPERIOR NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that on January 21, 2016, the Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the following items:

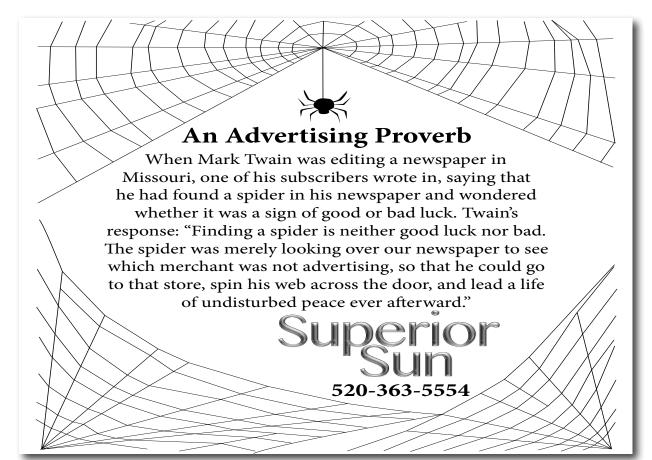
1. Change of Conditions of Approval for

- Conditional Use Permit 2015-01 for the project identified as My Friends Tayern. 2. Amendment to Article XCIII (Non-
- Conforming Uses) Section 18.1 to eliminate restrictions on replacement of non-conforming structures.
  3. Following adjournment the Planning
- and Zoning Commission, the Design Review Committee will convene to consider design aspects of Conditional

Use Permit No. 2015-01.

The Planning and Zoning Commission will meet at 6:00 p.m., on January 21, 2016, in the Town Auditorium located at 199 N. Lobb Avenue, Superior, Arizona to act upon the aforementioned items Said public hearings are open to the

public, and all persons are invited to attend and will be given full opportunity to be heard. Any person wishing to be heard, or wishing to present evidence for or against these proposals, is hereby notified and directed to either appear at the time and place aforesaid, or send written comments to the Town Clerk. All comments must be received by the Town Clerk on or before January 21, 2016, fo the Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing. SUN Legal 1/13/16



**By John Hernandez** 

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Town Clerk Pay Scale: DOE Hours: Full Time, 40 hours per week

Opening Date: January 4, 2016 Closing Date: Until Filled

General Responsibilities: Provides a variety of routine and complex administrative and professional duties for the Town Council and appointed Boards and Commissions; attends meetings; prepares, files and distributes minutes; controls public records and documents; administers municipal licenses; acts as the elections official and conducts elections. Financial background is preferable.

Experience: Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration. Political Science, Business Management of a closely related field; or a combination of education, training and experience equivalent to an accredited degree may be acceptable. First review of applications is January 19, 2016.

Applications are available Superior Town Hall, 199 N. Lobb Ave., Superior, AZ 85173. Town Hall is open Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm.; or check the website.

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#### 20. Help Wanted

Copper Area News is seeking a part time staff writer. Position requires a 10 - 15 hour per week commitment. Compensation is hourly plus mileage. Evening hours mav be necessarv Story assignments will include human interest and schools and will be in the Superior to Oracle area, but mainly in the Copper Basin. Successful applicants will have some writing background: a home computer; a digital camera or modern smartphone; and internet access. Writing assignments are given by the managing editor. Please send resume and writing samples to Michaelc@ minersunbasin.com

The Hayden-Winkelman Unified School District No. 41 is seeking qualified applicants for the following position:

#### Middle School Baseball Coach

Show of Interest Questionnaire may be picked up at the District Office - Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM. If you have any questions, please call Ms. Lydia Martinez, Athletic Director at 520-591-3549 or 520-356-7876 Ext. 1311.

Deadline for applications: 12 Noon - Monday, January 25, 2016

#### 25. Instruction

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