

Candidates for Pioneer Days Queen/Jr. Queen contest

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Family First says, all you need is love

This month we celebrate the holiday of love, Valentine's Day! We celebrate with heart shaped boxes of chocolate, dozens of red roses and cards to express our love for that someone special. Countless love songs have been written to celebrate a love for another, as the song says; "all you need is love". Shakespeare wrote his famous story of young love, Romeo and Juliet. How are we taught to love? Is it something that can be taught?

My first encounter of love was as a young child. Growing up in a family with seven kids my mother and father were the example to us all. They did not teach love, they lived it! Mom always made sure we always had food to eat, clean clothes and a warm bed to sleep in. Dad worked countless hours at all hours to provide them for us. They both gave their all to make our home a safe place to grow up in. Isn't that what



unconditional love is, giving all for others no matter what the cost?

Take away the love and what kind of a world do we have? Selflessness becomes selfishness and instead of putting the needs of others first, it's me first! I think there was a song that said; "I don't care what they say, I will not stay, in a world without love". Rather than leave this world, we can do something about it!

It is because of the love God the Father has shown us that we are here at Family First! It's that love we have for families and our community that we want to share. Being here when a family needs a hand, encouraging a mom struggling to raise her family alone and has nowhere else to go. A diaper for a young child or a senior suffering with incontinence, nothing says love like a dry diaper! We give

them out every day, not just Valentine's Day! It is a way we can truly change this world, a diaper for change.

Getting back to my questions, how are we taught to love, is it something that can be taught? I don't think that it can be taught, but rather it is something that is caught! How do you catch love? Same way you catch a cold, you are exposed to someone who has it! This Valentine's Day, this month, maybe this year let's make it a point to show a little love to those who need it. Let's face it, who doesn't need a little love.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son". John 3:16

God bless,
/s/ **Frank and Clare Grochocki**
Family First Pregnancy Care Center

Kearny 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.

Activity listed Feb. 3-9.

Feb. 3
Rosario A. Barrera, 36, was arrested in the 100 block of Tilbury Dr. on a warrant. He was transported and booked into the Gila County Jail in Globe.

Feb. 6

Criminal damage was reported in the 400 block of Ivanhoe Rd.

Feb. 9

Stanley Robbins Jr., 35, was arrested in the 300 block of Alden Rd. and charged with driving on a revoked license. He was cited and released.

Jeremy Sampson, 28, was arrested in the 300 block of Alden Rd. on a warrant. He was taken before the judge and released.

Calls not listed include: ambulance request (8), traffic stop (18), suspicious activity (2), found property (1), animal complaint (1), open door (4), agency assist (1), welfare check (1), agency assist (1), juvenile problem (1), fire (1) and citizen/motorist assist (5).

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Four high schools, two CTEDs and one college working together to bring CTE classes to local students

By Jennifer R. Carnes
Copper Area News

And the partnership grows.

A historic meeting of sorts happened last week on the Central Arizona College Aravaipa Campus. Representatives of six school districts met to talk about joining forces and making technical training a little easier for students to obtain.

All four high school districts in the Copper Corridor, CAC and the Cobre Valley Institute of Technology (CVIT) are working together to bring some special classes to high school students at one location – the Aravaipa campus.

“This meeting was long overdue,” said Pete Guzman, CVIT’s superintendent.

Superior, Ray and Hayden-Winkelman School Districts are all members of CVIT. Mammoth-San Manuel School District is a member of Pima County JTED.

JTEDs (Joint Technical Education Districts), now called CTEDs (Career and Technical Education Districts), were created in Arizona in 1990. There are currently 14 districts in Arizona. CTEDs provide high school students with career and technical education so that they can enter the workforce as soon as they graduate from high school.

CTEDs, Guzman said, give high school students “more options.”

Let’s face it. Not all students are college bound. CTE classes allow students to earn industry certificates. CTE classes also keep at risk students in school.

Mike O’Neal, who serves as the principal of CVIT, told the success story of one high school student who was at risk of dropping out.

The young man enrolled in the certified nursing assistant program. During the course of the program, he was required to complete an internship at a Globe skilled nursing facility. When he finished the program and

successfully passed the state’s licensing exam, the skilled nursing facility hired him.

He is 16 years old and works full time at the nursing home. He does three 12-hour shifts Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights and with shift differential is making \$18 an hour. He is still in high school, attending classes Monday through Thursday at Miami High School. He now wants to go to college and become a nurse.

How amazing is that?

CVIT was formed in 2000 and with Ray High School has six members schools: Superior, Globe, Miami, San Carlos, Hayden and Ray. Hayden has been a member since its inception nearly 20 years ago. Superior was also an early adopter. Ray School District joined CVIT in the 2017-18 school year after Ray’s voters overwhelmingly said, “Yes, please!”

Due to state laws governing these joint districts, school districts can only join CTEDs that abut the district boundaries. Mammoth-San Manuel School District joined the Pima County JTED.

There are two types of programs offered through CTEDs: satellite programs and central programs. Satellite programs are taught on the campuses of the member schools. Central programs are taught at a more central location. For CVIT, central programs are held at Gila Community College in Globe. For Pima County JTED, programs are taught at Master Pieces Campus (located at River and Shannon in Tucson) and Camino Seco Campus (located at Camino Seco and 22nd St. in East Tucson). Students attending schools that are members of a JTED

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CVIT Welding students pictured are: Spencer Bryce RHS, Robert Creel-Marler RHS, Michael Giorsetti RHS, Anthony Becerra RHS, Nick Harmon RHS, Tino Barragan RHS, Emiliano Camerana HHS, Vincent Aguirre HHS, Pablo Acuna HHS, Raymundo Ahumada HHS, Joel Rodriguez HHS, Diego Rubal HHS, Damion Arbizu HHS, Skylar Hughes RHS, Dakota Willis RHS, Morgan Bray RHS, Romeo Varley RHS, and Sean Harmon RHS. Also pictured is Vicente Gallegos.

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Seven young ladies vie for Queen, Jr. Queen titles

By Jennifer R. Carnes
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The 2019 Pioneer Days Queen contestants have been hard at work, earning points to see who will wear the crowns come March.

Three are competing for Pioneer Days Queen: Lucinda Schneider, Molli Verdugo and Ashiya Varley. Four will be hoping for the title of Jr. Queen: Felicity Boltarez, Kassidy Ballejos, Rilley Sosa and Keyara O'Neil.

Lucinda Schneider is 16 and a 10th grader at Ray High School. She lives in Hayden with her parents, Josephine and Billy Schneider.

Lucinda is running for Pioneer Days Queen because it is a lifelong dream of hers.

"My family and friends know how I am: I'm always singing, getting dressed up and I always like to call myself a queen because everyone says that I look like Cinderella," she told the Copper Basin News. "I just thought this would be fun. I love doing things like this no matter what."

Lucinda enjoys doing her makeup and hair, singing and hanging out with family and friends, and going on rides, finding new beautiful places. She plays volleyball and basketball at school and plans to go to

college to become a nursing assistant.

"I love helping people in need," she explained. "I would love to do nursing assistance so I can take care of my loved ones and many other people."

Molli Verdugo is 17 and is a junior at Ray High School. She lives in Kearny with her parents, Molly and Louise Fontes. She runs track and loves participating in band.

Molli says that she chose to run for Pioneer Days Queen "to have fun and to show even though you have a learning disability, you can still run and do good."

Her hobbies include listening to music, going for walks and hanging out with her sister Montanna. She plans to go to the East Valley Institute in Mesa to study cosmetology.

Ashiya Varley is 15 and a freshman at Ray High School. She lives in Kearny with her moms, Teri Varley and Stacy Johnson. Ashiya was the Freshman Homecoming Attendant and runs track and participates in band. She is on the honor roll and is a member of the Science Club and Yearbook Club. She also participates in Jr. Chamber of Commerce.

"I decided to run for Pioneer Day Queen because I thought it would be a great way to meet new people," Ashiya said, adding that she thinks it's a "great opportunity to come

out of my shell and try something new."

She lists only two hobbies (out of many, she says): drawing and reading. "I picked these two specific hobbies out of my many because I love these two the most," she said. "I love to get lost in a good book and I love to express my emotions through my art."

She has big dreams for life after high school.

"My hopes for the future," Ashiya said, "are to attend the University of California, Los Angeles or the University of Dublin, Ireland where I will hopefully study the medical field and become a trauma surgeon or anesthesiologist."

"I also plan to travel the world!" she said.

She wanted folks to know that she's a huge animal lover and has raised three rats, seven mice, four goldfish and one chinchilla (all of which have sadly passed away due to old age).

Felicity Boltarez is 13 and an eighth grader at Leonor Hambly K-8 in Winkelman. She lives in Hayden with her mom, Liberty Bailey. She has been very busy, playing volleyball, basketball, softball and summer softball for the past three years. She will be attending the Elks State Hoop Shoot Competition in Apache Junction (after winning the local and district Hoop

Shoot). She will be traveling to Payson to participate in the Gila County Science Fair and she has been on the honor roll several times.

Felicity is no stranger to this type of competition. She has been competing since she was five with the Barbazon Modeling Agency.

"Competing for Junior Queen has been a goal of mine, every year going to the carnival and seeing all the girls who won being crowned and wearing their sash," she said.

After high school, Felicity would like to study criminal justice and become a police officer. Her goal? Become a detective.

She loves sports, summer softball and watching her Tia Demitria still playing softball. She really loves hanging out with her friends.

She has two brothers, Junior and Aidyn, and one sister Abigale.

Kassidy Ballejos is 13 and attends school at Ray Junior High School. She is in the seventh grade. She lives in Kearny with her mom, Melanie Gojkovitch. Her father is Antolino Ballejos. Kassidy is on the honor roll and Student Council. She plays basketball and softball.

Kassidy loves spending her free time outside. "Places such as the river or



Last year's Pioneer Days Queen and Jr. Queen lasso this year's contestants.



Sweet beauties, all of them! Pictured from left are (seated) this year's Pioneer Days Queen and Jr. Queen contestants Molli Verdugo, Rilley Sosa, Keara O'Neil, Ashiya Varley, Felicity Boltares, Kassidy Ballejos and Lucinda Schneider. Standing are Tahni Kame, the 2018 Pioneer Days Queen, and Kaylin Pacheco, the 2018 Pioneer Days Jr. Queen.

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our town park is where I make my best memories," she said, adding that she loves to be active.

"I saw the opportunity (running for Junior Queen) to get out of the house more and give back to the community," she said. "It gave me the chance to meet new people. I remember watching my cousin Alycia run and saw how much fun she had (and) thought I'd give it a chance."

Kassidy plans to go straight into college after graduating from high school.

"I want nothing more than to make my family proud," she said. "I want a stable job to support my future family. I am very independent. I would like to provide for my own things and to support my mom and dad like they have for me."

Rilley Sosa is 13 and an eighth grader

at Ray Junior High School. She lives in Kearny with her parents, Nichole and Rick Sosa.

In junior high, Rilley played (and is playing) volleyball and track and participates in Student Council. She was a cheerleader as a seventh grader and was the seventh grade class representative. As an eighth grader, Rilley played basketball and is her class recorder. She also plays summer softball.

Rilley is very involved in 4-H. She has helped her older siblings with their animals and for the past four years has had her own animals. She volunteers during community clean ups, worked the Pioneer Days booths and helped with the rodeo concession stand. She participated in the community can drive and assisted with fairgrounds

clean up. She's also had numerous exhibits in the Pinal County Fair and volunteers with her church with clean ups and helping the elderly.

She counts 4-H, art, drawing, reading sports and photography as her hobbies and she would like to pursue a career after high school in nursing or photography.

When asked why she is running for Pioneer Days Junior Queen, she stated:

"I wanted to try something new, have a new experienced. And I wanted to work around new people. I thought it would be fun and exciting. I like to be out in the community and doing things and I knew this would be a way to do that."

Keyara O'Neil is 14 and a seventh grader at Ray Junior High School. She lives in Kearny and is the daughter of Roberta

Sims. She plays volleyball, softball and basketball. Softball, she says, is one of her hobbies. "I like to draw," she added.

Keyara has plans for after high school. She plans to go to a community college for two years "then hopefully UCLA," where she wants to study to be a gynecologist.

She chose to run for Junior Queen "to show that I can be trusted and to do it and show younger girls."

These girls are asking the support of the community, so if you see them out and about please purchase a ticket or two. Tickets are \$1 and there are three cash pay outs, \$150, \$250 and \$500. The Queen Crowning and cash drawings will be held during the Pioneer Day activities.

We wish all these beautiful young ladies the best of luck.

Hayden's top s-p-e-l-l-e-r-s



Leonor Hamby K-8 School has announced its top spellers. Pictured are: Brandon Garner, Aaron Canisales, Dallas Mariscal, Yliana Montijo and Mikaela Baldenegro. They are listed from first place through fifth. Congratulations to all the super spellers.

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Four Copper Corridor teams to compete in basketball State Championships

By Andrew Luberda
Copper Area News

Three area boys' teams and the Ray girls' basketball team qualified for the 2019 AIA State Championships, which start this week at various locations.

The Ray and Superior boys' teams will play 1A first-round games on Friday, Feb. 15, in Prescott. The San Manuel boys' basketball team will host a 2A Play-In game on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 6:30 p.m. The No. 15-seed Miners will play No. 18 Hopi with the winner advancing to the 16-team championship bracket and playing a first-round game versus one of the top-eight seeds in Prescott

on Friday, Feb. 15. The time and location of 2A games that begin on Friday are to be determined after the play-in games are final.

The Lady Cats, who enter the State Championships as the 1A East Region Tournament champions, are the No. 6-seed and will play No. 11 Red Mesa on Friday, Feb. 15, at the Findlay Toyota Center in Prescott at 12 p.m.

For the boys' teams, No. 4 Ray will play No. 13 Joseph City on Friday, Feb. 15, at Prescott High School at 10:30 a.m. No. 10 Superior will play No. 7 Arete Prep, a team the Panthers are very familiar with after splitting two previous meetings with the Chargers earlier this season. That game will be played at the Findlay Toyota Center on Friday at 9

a.m.

With wins in the first round, the 1A teams – boys and girls – will play on Saturday, Feb. 16, at a time and location to be determined.

Check www.azpreps365.com for bracket results and updates.

CVIT

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or whose parents live in a district that are members can participate in a Central program or can attend any satellite program.

Over the past years, Hayden and Superior students have been transported to Globe-Miami to take part in classes offered by the CVIT: fire science, cosmetology, certified nursing assistant (CNA) training and a number of computer technology programs. Classes are held daily usually in the early afternoon in two-hour blocks. The classes are early so that students who also participate in sports can still do so.

Pima County JTED's central classes are held after school and students typically attend two to four classes a week (depending on the program) from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Some programs also require the students to attend two Saturday classes a month. Most of the programs are two-year programs. The EMT program, for example, requires that the student first complete Health Care Foundations, Fire Service or Law/Public Safety. This is the first year that San Manuel High School students have had school-sponsored transportation to attend the Pima County JTED central programs at Master Pieces, thanks to a grant from SaddleBrooke Community Outreach. It's a commitment for the students.

Students can also stay at their own campus and participate in programs offered there. Classes offered include:

- Hayden – culinary, education professions, business, law and public safety and graphics.
- Ray – welding, construction and graphics/web design.
- Superior – culinary, business, education professions, early childhood development and hospitality.
- San Manuel – agriscience/animal systems, automotive, cabinetmaking, carpentry, digital communications, digital photography, early childhood education and welding.

Ray High School's welding class began during the 2017-18 school year and was a partnership between Ray and Hayden High School. Hayden students were bused to the Kearny campus and attended classes there. The program

has been extremely successful under the guidance of teacher Sam Colton.

"(With CTEDs) you'll see rival schools working together," O'Neal said.

Also during the 2017-18 school year, CVIT held its first central program at the Aravaipa campus, certified nursing assistant. According to Guzman, the nursing program at Aravaipa had 10 out of 11 students complete the program – 10 Ray and Hayden High School students.

Next year, Ray's welding class will be moving to the Aravaipa campus, giving the students two central classes (along with the CNA program). The two classes will be offered to students at all four high schools in the Copper Corridor.

In an unprecedented move, Pima County JTED has agreed to partner with CVIT to allow San Manuel students to attend the Aravaipa classes. This will cut their travel time from over an hour one way to less than 30 minutes. According to Guzman, the Superintendent of Pima County JTED, Kathy Prather, has committed to this joint venture, including funding. Guzman said he was told to "get it done."

Maria Munoz, Director of Student Affairs at Central Arizona College, knows that they have to start small. The success of the CNA program has paved the way for the addition of the welding class next year.

She has dreams, though, of what the program would look like in the future. Building on welding, she'd like to see programs in diesel mechanics and carpentry. In addition to CNA, she dreams of high school students becoming Medical Assistants, Pharmacy Techs, Phlebotomists. She would also like to add fire science and EMT programs for high school students.

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- Feb. 13 – Superior 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Town of Superior – 199 N. Lobb Ave.

FEBRUARY

15-16 Dudleyville Clean Up

Supervisor Pete Rios and Pinal County Public Works will sponsor a Dudleyville area clean up Feb. 15 and 16. Rolloffs will be at the Waste Management Landfill, 8195 N. Hwy. 77, Dudleyville, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. both days for free dumping. Accepted items include: tires, furniture, appliances, debris from home improvement projects, metal, concrete (no commercial loads and limitations may apply), bagged household trash and green waste (tree trimmings, grass, plants, etc.). Items NOT accepted are: batteries, oil, gas, bio-hazards, herbicides, pesticides, commercial waste. Questions? Call Jason Jordon at 520-705-8824. There's no better way to ring in the New Year than by clearing out the clutter.

20 NRCD Meeting in Kearny

The Winkelman NRCD Quarterly Meeting will be held on Feb. 20 at 10 a.m., General Kearny Inn. Lunch will be potluck.

23 Globe Rotary Dominion Royale

Globe Rotary is hosting its 4th Annual Dominion Royale on Saturday, Feb. 23, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Cobre Valley Center for the Arts. Tickets are just \$25 each and can be purchased from any Globe Rotary member or reserved for pickup at the event by calling Cami Lucero at 425-4444. This fundraiser includes a Steampunk costume contest, hors d'oeuvres and desserts from Vida e Caffè, gaming tables, and prizes from many local supporters. Visit the 4th Annual Dominion Royale event page on Facebook or call Cami at 425-4444 to learn more.

MARCH

9 Fundraising Golf Tournament

The 10th Annual Mammoth-San Manuel Education Foundation Fundraising Golf Tournament will be played on Saturday, March 9, in 4 Person Scramble format at 8:30 a.m. with a 7:30 a.m. registration, at the Hayden Golf Course, 624 Golf Course Blvd., in Hayden. Mulligans, Split the Pot and raffle tickets will be sold. Cost is \$50 per person, which will include golf and lunch. Since space is limited, cost will be \$60 after March 1. Carts will be an additional \$6 per person. To be a Tee Sponsor is \$50. Corporate Sponsorship is \$250 for Silver, \$500 for Gold and \$1,000 for Platinum. All proceeds will benefit students of Mammoth-San Manuel School District. Pick up registration forms at Mammoth-San Manuel School District Office or Farmers Insurance office, 101 S. McNab Pkwy. Mail registration form and payment to PO Box 659, San Manuel, AZ 85631. For more information, please contact Jim Donaldson at 520-385-2186.

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LOBO BOOSTERS: For Lobo Booster Club membership and information, please call Michelle Gonzales at 480-888-6598.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER HOURS: The Pregnancy Care Center in Winkelman, located at Fourth and Thorne Avenues in Winkelman, is open on Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Men's workshop is held on Thursday from 5-6 p.m. You can call (520) 664-5795 for a confidential appointment.

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Two sisters charged in connection with fentanyl operation in San Manuel

The Pinal County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit last week announced that it had completed a four-month investigation after receiving information about fentanyl being sold in the San Manuel area.

According to the Pinal County Sheriff's office, investigators learned Angela Melton, 45, of San Manuel was selling fentanyl pills from the convenience store where she worked near 28500 block of Veterans Memorial Blvd. Investigators say the drugs were being delivered to

Melton by her sister, Judy Burfield, 49, who lives in Tucson.

"People do not realize just how dangerous fentanyl is. We have seen so many lives lost because of this drug and we are proud of the work our narcotics detectives did to get these drug dealers off the street. San Manuel is much safer today because of their investigation," said Sheriff Mark Lamb.

Both are facing charges of possession for sale of narcotic drugs and transportation for the sale of narcotic drugs.

Public Notice

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The Town of Kearny is proposing to increase the Town's Garbage and Trash Fees as a result of the Town's contractor, Right Away Disposal (RAD) raising their contract rates. A copy of the old fees compared to the new fees is also posted with this notice. The proposed increase will be considered by the Town Council at the March 18, 2019 Town Council meeting at Town Hall, 912-C Tilbury Drive, Kearny, Arizona. If this proposed increase is approved, the effective date of the increase will be April 1, 2019.

Town of Kearny, Arizona Summary of Proposed New or Modified Fees Sanitation Fund

Town Code and Fee Schedule Reference	Current Fee Description	Customer Info	Existing Fee	Proposed Fee	Justification/Cost Basis
Non-General Fund Revenues					
Division/Department					
Section 9-1-5 (A)	Garbage and Trash Fees	Residential, Commercial	\$22.80 per month for 95 gallon trash can picked up once a week	\$23.46 per month for 95 gallon trash can picked up once a week	Cost recovery due to increased cost of vendor (RAD) contract
Section 9-1-5 (A)	Garbage and Trash Fees	Commercial	\$10.00 per month for extra trash can \$37.90 per month for 330 gallon trash can picked up once a week	\$10.29 per month per extra trash can \$39.00 per month for 300 Gallon Trash can picked up once a week	Cost recovery due to increased cost of vendor (RAD) contract
Section 9-1-5 (A)	Garbage and Trash Fees	Commercial	\$75.80 per month per 300 gallon trash can picked up twice a week	\$78.00 per month per 300 gallon trash can picked up twice a week	Cost recovery due to increased cost of vendor (RAD) contract

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FLORENCE, AZ – The 2020 Notice of Value statements were mailed to property owners in Pinal County on Friday, February 8th, 2019.

A rise in values for 2020 does not automatically mean an increase in property taxes next year. Each taxing authority will set their levy and tax rate next year. If the levy (portion of the budget collected through property taxes) is the same or similar to the year before, then the average tax bill is not changed significantly. If a taxing authority raises their levy substantially, the

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Public Notice

Notice of Public Hearing
Pinal County
Housing Department
2019 Annual Agency Plan

Notice is hereby given by the Board of Supervisors of Pinal County, Arizona, that a public hearing will be held on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 1:00 PM., regarding the 2019 Public Housing Agency (PHA) Annual Plan. The Public Hearing will be held at Pinal County Housing Department's office located at 970 N. Eleven Mile Corner Rd., Casa Grande, AZ. 85194. The hearing will act as a forum for public comments relevant to PCHD's 2019 Annual Plan as required by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Copies of the proposed plan are available during a forty-five day public review and comment period from February 1, 2019 to March 18, 2019. The 2019 PHA Annual Plan will be available for public review at the above address and on PCHD's website
<http://www.pinalcountyaz.gov/housing/Pages/Home.aspx>

Public review and comment are encouraged and will receive due consideration in the preparation of the 2019 PHA Annual Plan. If you are unable to attend the public hearing and have suggestions or concerns, please submit your comments in writing no later than Monday, March 18, 2019. Mail should be addressed to the Pinal County Housing Department 970 N. Eleven Mile Corner Rd., Casa Grande, AZ. 85194 attention: Rolanda Cephas.

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Has America Lost Its Sense of Humor?

Just finished reading an article about some people in the Vegan community being offended by the Hyundai



DRY HEAT

By John Hernandez
Copper Area News

commercial shown during the Super Bowl. Apparently the commercial made fun of a Vegan party portraying it as something unpleasant comparing it to a dentist visit for a root canal or shopping for a car. Now “beetloaf”, a word play on meat loaf used in the commercial, I thought was funny and the word for turkey substitute, tofurkey, makes me smile, and please don’t call soybean tempeh with special flavorings ... vegan bacon. It’s not bacon! Seriously, I have nothing against vegetarians or vegans but you are being much too sensitive.

I was watching the classic motion picture comedy Blazing Saddles the other night. This Mel Brooks directed movie was a satirical western involving a black sheriff in an all white town. It was made in 1974 and it was interesting to see how our sense of humor has changed over the years. The film was the first to show cowboys passing gas after eating beans for supper. The movie made fun of blacks, white people, Native Americans, gays, Jews, and Hollywood, etc. I don’t remember the channel I was watching but the movie was bleeping out the

“N” word and curse words. The censorship pretty much took the comedy away from the original film.

It seems as if the country’s changing its sense of humor. We are no longer laughing at or accepting the use of derogatory words concerning race or ethnicity and rightfully so. Any joke that hurts someone should not be funny! We are turning away from Polack and other ethnic directed jokes. Jokes about gays and

even blondes are no longer considered acceptable by many people. I admit, I have laughed at ethnic jokes including some about Mexicans and blonde jokes can be hilarious. Are we becoming too politically correct? Even some political humor is becoming offensive too many. Telling a Trump joke can result in threats or anger directed at you.

People have the right to eat what they want and should have the right to laugh at what

they think is funny. We need to be more sensitive towards others but still be able to laugh at ourselves. There are more serious things going on in the world. Some of them you almost need to laugh at just to keep your sanity, after all, laughter is the best medicine.

Now, how many Russians will it take to build Trump’s wall?

Author’s Note: These opinions are entirely my own and do not reflect the views of Copper Area News Publishers.

ASSESSOR

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property tax from that individual authority could rise accordingly.

Property taxes are based on the Limited Property Value (LPV) as a result of Proposition 117. The LPV, in most cases, cannot increase by more than 5 percent per year and cannot exceed the Full Cash Value (market value). The Full Cash Value is still listed for each property but no taxes are

based upon this number.

The deadline to file an administrative appeal of the valuation or legal class for the 2020 notices is April 9th, 2019. More information on the appeal process and the required forms can be found on the Assessor’s website at www.pinalcountyaz.gov/assessor or by calling 311 from anywhere in Pinal County.

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