

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Letter to the editor raises questions

I have some specific questions i would like to present to the readers of the Superior Sun in regards to David Romero former Finance Officer, Town of Superior. in his letter to the editor, published on Feb. 10, 2016.

- 1. So was the former town clerk's employment record correct or not? If not please explain.
- 2. Please name the top official at Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens so we can verify submissions received were never correct.
- 3. Who was the controlling authority responsible for town bank statements?
- 4. If the town bank card was used for Toys for Tots, where are the journal entries to support this expenditure?
- 5. You state you have the facts. Okay lay them out for us, in detail. Names, places and statements.
- 6. As for lies and accusations. Name names and the specific lies.
- 7. How detailed was the audit? Item by item or a sampling audit. Who provided the items to be audited? Please name the firm.
- 8. Why was the Mayor's receipt kept in a sealed envelope in your desk? Is this normal practice with receipts? So the

Mayor has a copy or original of the receipt of all monies in question? Including interest?

9. This money should have been returned to the bank. The bank should have a record. There should be a journal entry to reconcile these funds with bank statements. Yes? Who controls these records?

10. Please specify which other items went missing from your desk and the nature of their classification.

11. So after the Town Clerk got fired and the City Manager

quit, you resigned due to a hostile work place? Who beside yourself was left? Names and positions please.

12. So you are willing to reenter this hostile workplace as a contract worker? Probably with a pay bump. That's usually the way contract workers are hired. That dog don't hunt.

Respectfully submitted for publication,

/s/ Gary Briegel

**Superior** 

## **Pinal County 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.

Feb. 8

Theft was reported in the 39000 block of S. Riverwood Dr., SaddleBrooke.

Feb. 9

Theft was reported in the 900 block of N. Robles Rd., Oracle.

Fire was reported in the 63000 block of E. Whispering Tree Ln., SaddleBrooke.

Theft was reported in the 700 block of S. McNab Pkwy., San Manuel. An accident with injuries was reported in the 500 block

of S. San Carlos St., San Manuel. Violation of a court order was reported in the 52000 block of E. Hwy. 60, Top of the World.

Feb. 10

Theft was reported in the 300 block of S. Avenue B, San Manuel

Feb. 11

Vianes James Casias Jr., 26, Superior, was arrested on warrants for failure to appear, interfering with judicial proceedings, false reporting to law enforcement and parole violation (Department of Corrections). He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail in Florence.

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# Superior Town Council accepts a mutually-beneficial agreement with Resolution Copper

Mining company to pay Superior \$1.65 million for police, fire services through 2021

By James J. Hodl Superior Sun

Things were downright somber on Feb. 11 when compared to two previous meetings as the Superior Town Council spent much time building a beneficial relationship with Resolution Copper.

Council members first approved a Memorandum of Understanding with Resolution Copper, then approved an Emergency Services Agreement with the mining company.

The only mention of the accusations and ongoing criminal investigation into Superior Mayor Jayme Valenzuela on his alleged misuse of a town debit card came during the Public Comments segment when only two citizens weighed in on the matter. The situation had prompted heated debate among council members and citizens in attendance at the December and January meetings.

During the main part of the meeting, the Council voted unanimously to accept two agreements with Resolution Copper, which for several years has been assembling a high-tech mining operation near Superior adjacent to the old Magma Mine. The new operation, which will mine copper using the block cave mining technique, is expected to generate \$61 billion over its lifetime and bring 1,400 direct jobs to the area, according to Resolution officials.

The Memorandum of Understanding establishes a basic

agreement under which Superior and Resolution Copper will build a mutually-beneficial relationship. It includes a code of conduct directing both parties on how to communicate with each other, talk to the public, and otherwise work together.

On approving the Emergency Services Agreement with Resolution Copper, Superior will provide police, firefighting and related emergency services in the mining company's property outside town boundaries through Feb. 28, 2021, in return for \$1.65 million in payments spread out over the five-year duration of the agreement. These services will be provided only above ground with Resolution handling any below ground emergencies on its own. Some of the payments will be front-loaded to enable Superior's police and fire departments to upgrade equipment. Town and Resolution officials will meet to determine if any new equipment germane for emergencies on mining properties should be acquired by the Superior agencies.

Both agreements resulted from 18 months of negotiations between Superior and Resolution executives. The Emergency Services Agreement replaces an earlier less encompassing pact that was set to expire on February 29.

Before council members could vote, they first had to examine the legalities of who on the council could vote on the two agreements.

Under Arizona statutes, elected officials are barred from voting on matters in which they have a conflict of interest. And

according to Town Attorney Stephen R. Cooper, four council members have ties to Resolution Copper that could disqualify them from voting, with the remaining three unable to form the necessary quorum to vote.

These conflicts, Cooper noted, covered Vice Mayor Olga Lopez, whose son was employed by Resolution; and Mayor Jayme Valenzuela, because his daughter was married to Lopez's son. Also with conflicts were John Tameron and Gilbert Aguilar, who work for companies that do substantial work for Resolution. Although Steve Estatico and Mila Besich-Lira also did work for entities providing services to Resolution, Estatico didn't do any work on a Resolution project for his employer while Besich-Lira earned less than 3% of her annual income providing IT computer services for a firm providing other services to Resolution. Only Michael Alonzo had no connections to the mining firm

Cooper explained that Arizona law also takes into account that small towns with dominant businesses might not be able to get anything done if council members either work directly or indirectly for that business. Thus it allows all council members to vote on issues affecting the dominant business provided they state they have a conflict of interest before voting.

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Resolution Copper Company and the Town of Superior have come to a mutually-beneficial agreement regarding police and fire coverage for the mining company.





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## Superior citizens launch effort to recall Mayor Valenzuela

An effort to recall Mayor Jayme Valenzuela got underway on Feb. 12 when a recall packet was secured from the Superior Town Hall by Superior resident Chris Ketron.

Ketron predicts that the recall will take place in August unless Mayor Valenzuela resigns before then. Among those supporting a recall are Superior Chamber of Commerce President Sue Anderson along with some local business owners.

Superior has been in an uproar since it was revealed at the December 2015 Town Council meeting that the town debit card was misused for personal cash withdrawals at assorted venues, including the Wild Horse Pass Casino in Chandler. Mayor Valenzuela admitted to making the withdrawals - eight in all for \$2,300 – but said he made a mistake, and since he reimbursed the town would not resign despite demands from four council members and 17 citizens using the public forum at the end of the January meeting. Since then, the Arizona Attorney

General's Office has launched an investigation, with agents invading Superior to collect documents and related evidence. The probe prompted the Pinal County Sheriff's Office to put Valenzuela on paid administrative reassignment from his day job as a commander in charge of contract and supplies with the County Detention Center in Casa Grande. A spokesman for the Sheriff said that while Valenzuela had a debit card for that job, he had not used it.

Since the revelations of the debit card misuse, David Romero, who functioned as the town's financial officer while the post of Financial Director went unfilled, came to Mayor Valenzuela's defense. In a letter to the Superior Sun, he claimed that Valenzuela had refunded \$500 for transactions made at the Wild Horse Pass Casino back in May 2014, but that the envelope containing the receipt disappeared from his desk during a lunch break.

Romero is facing charges of his own from

Nancy Garcia, sister of Rachelle Sanchez, the former Superior Town Clerk who first reported the debit card misuse in December. Garcia has alleged that Romero had sexually harassed her. But after she filed for a restraining order against Romano, she faced intimidation from Valenzuela, who allegedly encouraged Romero to file a restraining order against her in retaliation.

Romero left the employ of Superior town government after not showing up for work for a week after the January council meeting.

Mayor Valenzuela should be recalled because his actions have hurt Superior morally, and his refusal to resign makes it harder for the town to move forward, Ketron said.

During the executive session that followed the February regular council meeting, members voted to hire Kenneth Buchanan as interim town manager in place of resigned manager Margaret Gaston and freeing Todd Pryor to concentrate on his duties as Superior's Fire Chief. Buchanan has held similar posts in



Mayor Jayme Valenzuela

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Their goal is to raise \$1,500 to help with background checks for volunteers to be able to help at the school with the library and reading programs. Prizes for the raffle are a handcrafted wood bench donated by Beto Cervantes, a large tropical bird painting

donated by the Copper Gecko, third place is a sterling silver and topaz necklace by Devine Design and fourth place is jewelry by Laura Lira designs.

Tickets are \$1 each or six raffle tickets for \$5. The drawing will be held on March 13, 2016 during the Apache Leap Mining Festival.

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## Whitebird to perform at Copper Area churches

Country Gospel singer/songwriter Peter Lewis Whitebird will be bringing his special talent for communicating God's word in song and testimony to the Kearny, Oracle and

Catalina areas this month.

Peter spent 25 years in construction work before going into full time ministry. After being ordained in 1995 he pastored a church in Topeka, KS until 1999 when he and his wife, Judy, began a full time music ministry. Even though he has since recorded seven albums, a DVD, self-published a book and had 18 top three singles and 12 number one hits and appeared on TBN, his life has not been a "bed of roses."

His parents divorced when was very young and both remarried twice. His mother's second divorce put him and his siblings on welfare. Full of insecurity and inferiority, he could have ended up like many other children of broken homes. He has struggled with addiction to alcohol like his father. He has overcome many of life's problems and grown stronger as Christ has shaped his life and character. God became his eternal father in 1973, occupying the empty space left from not having a relationship with his earthly father.

Although he is proud of Chippewa heritage, Peter will tell you that discovering his true, eternal identity in Jesus Christ is what changed his life forever and freed him from the frustration of trying to prove himself to God, himself and others. God has used the pain in his life to make him a wiser, humbler man; and he learned through his own trials in life how to communicate God's real life answers in

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## Tom O'Halleran to visit Superior on Friday

Democratic Congressional Candidate Tom O'Halleran will host a meet and greet for local voters at Porter's Cafe on Friday, Feb. 19, 2016 from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend and meet the candidate.

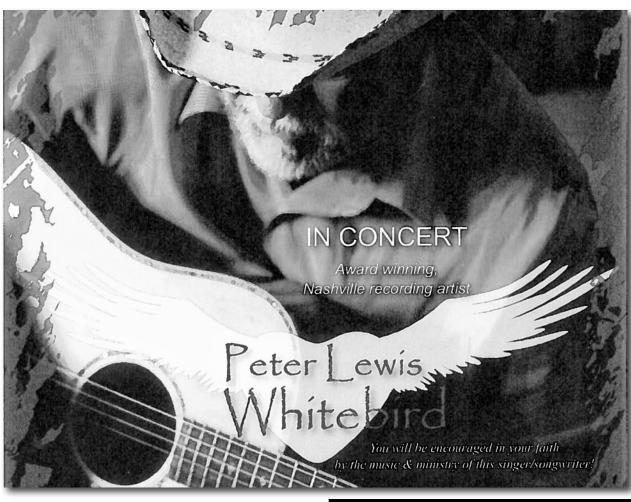
# Yarn needed for community art project

The Superior Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a community yarn bomb art project at the Besich Park during the Apache Leap Mining Festival.

Yarn bombs are a new form of street art and uses yarn of all colors to create new art. The yarn bomb art will be an art activity everyone in the community can participate in during the event.

The project will need dozens of skeins of yarn to complete the art project.

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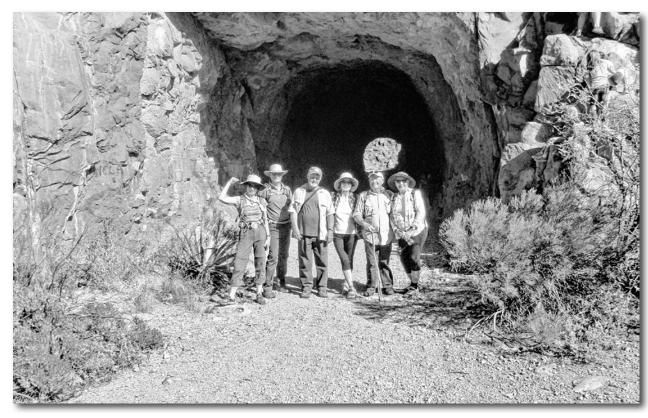
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## outdoor fun for all

Hikers, bikers and outdoor enthusiasts flocked to Superior this past weekend to enjoy guided hikes and mountain bike rides on the Arizona Trail and the Legends of Superior Trails.

The event also featured presentations from Ras and Kathy Vaughn who recently yo-yo hiked the Arizona Trail. They shared about their adventures and how they trained and prepared for their hikes.

Visitors also enjoyed a presentation on the history of Pinal City and a geological history presentation by ASU professor Steve Semkin.

The Legends of Superior Trails Inc. recently incorporated and is working to help develop a regional recreational green belt with other regional outdoor groups.

For more information on how to become a member of the LOST Inc. contact Nancy Vogler at 520-827-9461.





Have baby papoose, will hike. Mila Besich-Lira | Sun



Sirena Dufault, Arizona Trail Ambassador, and yo-yo hikers Ras and Kathy Vaughn.



Hiking to the cross.

## Panthers reach state tournament

By Andrew Luberda Superior Sun

The Superior boys' basketball team was one of 24 teams selected for the 2016 AIA Division V State Championship. This will be the Panthers' first appearance in the state tournament in eight seasons. They last appeared at the end of the 2007-08 season.

The No. 18-seed Panthers will play No. 14-seed Arizona Charter in the first round of the tournament, which will take place on Friday, Feb. 19 at Prescott High School. A win would advance the Panthers to the second round versus No. 2-seed The Gregory School on Feb. 20.

"This team did something special," head coach Ryan Palmer told the Superior Sun. "It's a huge accomplishment to get to the state tournament and it was one of our goals at the beginning of the season. The kids worked hard to achieve our goal and I'm proud of them for making (the tournament)."

A surprising and perhaps shocking upset in the semifinals of the Section IV tournament sparked the Panthers' run to the state tournament.

After a first round victory over Duncan, the Panthers pulled what is likely the biggest upset in the Division V postseason so far, defeating No. 1-seed and top-ranked San Carlos, 59 – 52.

Jalon Murray and Austin Navarrette led the Panthers with 16 points. The duo's production in the paint and a strong defensive effort proved to be the difference in the

"We played a physical game and got (the Braves) off their game a little bit," Palmer said. "We had a pretty good

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game shooting the ball, we played a physical defensive game, and we outworked them on the boards. Those are all the things a team needs to do to win a game."

"It was really exciting to be a part of that game," Palmer added. "It was definitely the biggest upset I've been a part of in coaching."

Unfortunately, the Panthers' run in the section tourney ended there as they lost to Miami 51 – 41 in the championship game on Saturday night.

Now they can take their experience from their recent

postseason success and hopefully make another run starting on Friday in Prescott.

"We realize we control our own destiny," Palmer said. "We've already proven that when we play tough defense, play together, and a have a good night shooting the ball we can beat the best in the state. It's a huge confidence factor for us going into the state tournament."

Friday's first-round game is scheduled for 12 p.m. Visit www.azpreps365.com for the Division V bracket, results, and individual game information.

## Grays to perform in Dudleyville

Mark Gray will be appearing at the San Pedro Valley Baptist Church, located at 4670 N Dudleyville Rd in Dudleyville,,on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 6 p.m.

For over 35 years, Mark Gray has been one of the most active and widely used soloists in gospel music. At the age of 23, he began traveling full-time in the gospel music industry. Mark, with his wife Mary, travels 12 months a year, all across America, singing in some 175 churches, youth camps and Bible colleges. Mark is in great demand for gospel concerts, revivals and Bible conferences as well as other special appearances. He and his wife are also staff members at Silver State Baptist Youth Camp during the summer months. The music ministry has allowed him to travel to many foreign countries, including trips behind the former "iron curtain".

During the more than 35 years that Mark has been in full-time travel, he has produced more than 50 recordings. Many are made available wherever he sings. Mark is also a part of the Silver State Trio. Mark's music is carefully selected to always exalt the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and present the gospel of saving grace to a lost and dying world. Whether singing a new song or an old favorite, Mark is known as a man who always sings with deep conviction.

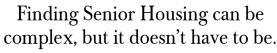
## WHITEBIRD

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the message and ministry of his songs.

He will perform at the Kearny Southern Baptist Church, corner of Upton and Danbury, on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m.; at the Fellowship Baptist Church in Kearny, corner of Tilbury and Danbury, Sunday morning, Feb. 21, at 10:45 a.m.; at the Oracle Assembly of God Church Sunday evening, Feb. 21, at 6 p.m.; and at the First Baptist Church in Catalina at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24.

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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 Feb. 22-25 is:

- Monday; Baked Ham, Sweet Potatoes, California Blend, Peaches
- Tuesday; Liver & Onions, Scalloped Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Apple
- Wednesday; Pork Stew, Ranch Beans, Zucchini W/Tomato, Corn Bread, Orange
- Thursday; Pizza, Green Beans & Carrots, Green Salad, Oatmeal Cookie

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## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### 18 Little League Sign-Ups Continue

Superior Little League T-Ball and regular season registrations will continue at the Superior Jr./Sr. High School Multipurpose room from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Registration dates are Feb. 18, 22 and 26. Feb. 26 will be last day for T-ball aged players to register. All players must bring a copy of their birth certificate and any player league age 9 and up must bring proof of residency documents dated between Feb. 2015 - Jan. 2016. 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 to superiorlittleleagueaz@gmail.com.

## 19 Knights Host Fish Fry Fridays

Knights of Columbus Council 3395 is sponsoring a Fish Fry event, every Friday from 5-7 p.m., Feb. 19 through March 18, at the St. Mary's Center, 100 W. Sunset Drive in Superior. This plate includes beer-battered fish fillet, homemade cole slaw, French fries and a drink for \$6. Bean burros are also available.

## **21** BTA Basic Botany and Flower Photography

The Arboretum will offer a class in basic botany and wildflower IDs on Feb. 21 from 1-4 p.m.; and a \$40 wildflower photography class will be held on Feb. 28. The first class is included with \$10 daily admission; free to BTA annual members. Please RSVP by email to lpacheco@cals.arizona.edu. Enroll for the photography class by calling 520-689-2723 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Read a complete description of the class at cals. arizona.edu/bta/photoclass.

## MARCH Basketball and Volleyball Tournaments

A 3-on-3 Basketball Men's Tournament will be played on Saturday, March 5. Check in will be noon. and tourney begins at 1 p.m. A Volleyball Co-Ed Tournament will be played on Saturday, March 5. Check in will be 5 p.m. and tourney begins at 6 p.m. Fee for both tournaments will be \$10 per player. Tournaments will be held at the Hayden Junior High Gym. All monies raised will benefit students attending New York trip this summer.

## 12 Golf Benefit for Queen Valley Fire

The Queen Valley Fire Auxiliary is hosting its 27th annual golf tournament on Saturday, March 12, at the Queen Valley Golf Course in a four person scramble format, open to all teams: men, women or mixed. Teams will be flighted by handicap. Entry fees are \$35 each for members and \$50 for non-members (cart fees are \$15). Fees include morning coffee and rolls, green fees, specialty holes, lunch, team prizes and door prizes. There will be a silent auction at the luncheon. All proceeds from the tournament benefit the Queen Valley Fire Department and are tax deductible.

#### Scrap Yarn Needed

The Superior Chamber needs all of your scrap yarn, any colors, any amount. During the upcoming Apache Leap Mining Festival all kids and adults will be invited to work on a really fun community art project in Besich Park called "Yarn Bombing". In order to do it we need oodles of yarn. Please drop off your extra yarn at the Chamber office, 165 W Main St., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., or call us at 520-689-0200and we'll arrange to pick it up.

## 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 month.

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

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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.

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And that was what Lopez, Valenzuela, Tameron and Aguilar did before voting on the two agreements related to Resolution Copper.

In other actions taken during the meeting, council members approved a proposal to assist the Superior Fire Department in applying for a \$23,583 grant to purchase new protective equipment wore by firefighters while fighting blazes to replace older equipment that was worn out. Members also voted to form a select committee to select an engineering firm for a local sewer plant project. And they approved the application for a liquor license requested by the Buckboard Restaurant at 1111 W. U.S. Highway 60, which is planning to add dinner service to the current breakfast and lunch-only operation.

As after the January meeting, Margaret Gaston resigned as Superior town manager, Fire Chief Todd Pryor filled that position at the meeting on what he described as an "interim interim basis" until the town can select an interim town manager from an agency that provides such services. Pryor is assisted in these duties by Police Chief David Neuss. The Council approved advertising for a new town manager at the January meeting.

Acting on two complaints about stray dogs marauding through parts of town, council members okayed an Inter-Government Agreement with Pinal County Animal Control (PCAC) to conduct two sweeps for stray dogs this year. PCAC also will send a mobile veterinarian clinic into Superior twice this year to offer free rabies vaccinations and to microchip pets so they can be returned to the owners should they get out of their yards. PCAC also will offer discounted spaying of dogs in Superior provided owners sign up a minimum of 45 canines for the service.

The only public comments of the Valenzuela investigation were offered by two former Superior government officers.

David Romero, who resigned as Financial Director shortly after Gaston, paraphrased his letter to the editor in the Feb. 10 Superior Sun in which he sided with the Mayor on his use and reimbursement of debit card funds. He accused former Town Clerk Rachelle Sanchez of creating a hostile work environment during her tenure. He also complained that because of the allegations, his reputation was unfairly blemished, especially since it was he who got the town tax records in shape for filing before the Arizona Department of Transportation cut off funding to Superior.

He was followed by Sanchez, who said the town hall working environment was already hostile when she arrived. She argued that Mayor Valenzuela wouldn't have paid back the \$2,300 in funds he acquired through the town debit card until it became public, so doesn't deserve to be congratulated for doing right on the matter.

#### Weather

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Please submit a competed district job application, with resume and three letters of recommendations to the HWUSD district office by Monday February 29th. The Hayden-Winkelman School District is an equal opportunity employer.

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The Town of Kearny is accepting applications for the following positions. The Town of Kearny is an Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer. Applications are available at the Town Hall, 912-C Tilbury Dr, Kearny, AZ 85137 from 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m M-Th. First review of applications will be March 8, 2016.

#### **Town of Kearny** POOL MANAGER

The Town of Kearny is accepting applications for the position of Pool Manager. Applicants must possess/or be able to obtain a current lifeguard certification card, first aid and CPR card that will be valid for the summer. The Pool Manager is responsible for complete management of the pool. Starting wage is \$9.18/hour. This is a seasonal, temporary position.

#### **Town of Kearny** LIFEGUARD

The Town of Kearny is accepting applications for Lifeguard positions. Applicants must possess/or be able to obtain a current lifeguard certification card, first aid and CPR card that will be valid for the summer. Starting wage is \$8.12/hour. This is a seasonal, temporary position.

#### TEMPORARY PART-TIME LIBRARIAN

The Town of Kearny is accepting applications for a temporary parttime librarian. This is a temporary part-time position. High school diploma or GED required. Duties may include selecting, acquiring, cataloguing, classifying, and maintaining library materials; and furnishing reference, bibliographical, and readers' advisory services. May perform in-depth, strategic research, and synthesize, analyze, edit and filter information. Applications may be picked up at the Kearny Town Hall, 912-C Tilbury Drive, Kearny, AZ 85137; 520-363-5547; 7:00 am – 5:30 pm, Monday through Thursday. The Town of Kearny is an EEOC employer. Starting salary is \$8.05 hourly. Open until filled. First review is Thursday, March 3, 2016.

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Family and friends of Eddie Longoria invite you to come out to Kearny Pioneer Park on Saturday, Feb. 20, for a day of softball, food, family and fun.

In honor of Eddie's memory they host this annual fundraiser to raise money for local Little Leagues in the region as well as Superior Panther athletics. Games start early.

For more information or to donate to the memorial fundraiser please contact Jessica Castillo 520-827-0098 or Angela Villaverde 520-827-9450.

# Superior Senior class to host pastry Bingo

The parents of the Superior High School 2016 Senior Class will be hosting a pastry event on Sunday, Feb. 28, 2016 at the Superior Junior-Senior High School Multipurpose room. The pastry event will begin at 1 p.m. There will be green chile burros, nachos and drinks for sale.

The class is accepting donations of baked goods. Proceeds raised from the event will be used to cover costs for the class trip and other graduation ceremony expenses.





JFK Principal Manuel Ramirez recognized sisters, Celestial and Destiny Sinteral for their donation to the student council.

Mila Besich-Lira | Sun

## JFK students donate to student council

**By Mila Besich-Lira** Superior Sun

The Superior Governing Board thanked Celestial and Destiny Sinteral for their \$91 donation to the John F. Kennedy Student Council. The two entrepreneurial sisters held a lemonade sale on Heiner Dr. during the Superior Home Tour. The duo earned over \$240, reimbursed

their parents for the supplies and then donated \$91 to their student council to help with student activities at their elementary school. Each of the girls kept \$50 for themselves.

School principal Manuel Ramirez wanted to recognize the young students for their support. He presented them with a certificate of thanks. The board also thanked them for their support and congratulated them on a job well done.