

OBITUARIES

Christopher Raymond Contreras

Christopher Raymond Contreras, 61, Superior, entered into heaven on Feb. 25, 2020 at 12:15 a.m. in Mesa, AZ with his family by his side.



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

—David Brinkley

Chris was born in Superior, AZ on Sept. 22, 1958 son of Rosie (Contreras) and Marcelino Figueroa II. Chris was raised and attended school in Superior, attaining his GED. Chris was employed as a laborer, bouncer, caregiver, forklift operator and was best known for his bartending and creating amazing slide shows under Contreras Productions. He was a kind loving generous person with a big heart always making people laugh and enjoyed life to its fullest.

Chris never married nor had any children but he was blessed and he loved his little Heaven. Heaven was the daughter he never had and he was her Kiko.

He is survived by his siblings, Kathy (John) Noriega, Jaime Figueroa, Johnny Figueroa, Angela (Eddie) Figueroa, Lizzie Figueroa and Tanya (John) Tomerlin; and brother-in-law, Todd Francis. He leaves behind several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and many many friends. He is preceded in death by his parents; grandparents, Marcos and Placida "Chapa" Contreras, Marcelino Sr. and Senorina Figueroa, Gloria Figueroa; brother, Marcelino "Marc" Figueroa III; and nephew, David Paul Noriega.

Chris was loved by all and will be missed dearly forever more.

Rosary and Memorial Mass officiated by Father Marcos Velasquez will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 490 W. Main St., Superior, with luncheon following at St. Mary's Center, 100 Sunset Dr., Superior. Interment will be private.





Erminio "Shorty" Perea, 81, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020 in his Phoenix home following a short but hard-fought battle with metastatic mesothelioma.

Erminio was born May 28, 1938 in Alpine, Texas. The Perea family moved to Ray-Sonora, Arizona in 1948 where he later met his future wife and love of his life, Angie

(Perez). He enlisted in the U.S. Army his sophomore year of high school and proudly served overseas as a tank mechanic. Upon returning home, Erminio and Angie married and had three children in Superior, AZ. He found the mining equipment there was similar to his military equipment and began his career as a mechanic. During the mining strike, the family moved to Phoenix, AZ in 1969.

Erminio enjoyed a 28-year career with the City of Phoenix as the Superintendent of Equipment Management. He retired but remained busy until late 2019 when he fell ill. He was proud to have kept in touch with the many friends he gained during his time with the City.

Erminio also enjoyed spending his weekends on horseback rides across the state with the Arizona Desert Riders as well as the El Zaribah Shriners. When he was not riding or caring for his horses, he was spending time with his family, making memories at "Nana and Tata's house.

He leaves three brothers; Orlando, Raymond and Joe and one sister, Trankie; as well as his two daughters, Ofelia Cole (husband Greg) and Diana Hancock (husband Frank); son, Joey Perea; grandchildren, Crystal, Desiree, Wendy Jo, Rene, Justin, Candise, Alex, and Zachary; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Angie Perea, in 2017.

A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 10 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 11 Church Ave., Superior, with interment to follow at Fairview Cemetery, 300 W. Sunset Dr., Superior. All friends and family are invited to join immediately after the burial at Los Hermanos Restaurant & Lounge, 835 W. US-60, Superior.

The family would like to notify any attendees of possible traffic delays due to the Renaissance Fair as well as the Apache Leap Mining Festival in Superior. Please allow adequate time for transportation.

In lieu of flowers, the Perea family requests donations be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children: donate.lovetotherescue.org

Click on "Donate," then "Dedicate my donation in honor or in memory of someone", type "Erminio Perea." Donations can also be mailed to Shriners Hospitals for Children, at Office of Development, 2900 N. Rocky Point Dr., Tampa, FL 33607. Condolences may be expressed at www. whitneymurphyfuneralhome.com

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Presumptive positive case of COVID-19 identified in Pinal County; may signal community spread in Arizona

Pinal County Public Health Department last week confirmed a presumptive positive case of COVID-19. The case, a healthcare worker in her 40s, lives in Pinal County and is currently in stable condition in a Maricopa County hospital. She is not a known contact of any confirmed COVID-19 cases and has not traveled to any areas where COVID-19 is spreading widely. For this reason, Public Health is treating this case as its first instance of community spread. On Friday, two more cases were identified in Pinal County, both from the same household as the current Pinal County case. State and local public health are currently investigating the cases.

"Community spread refers to the spread of an illness for which the source of infection is unknown. Just like during flu season, if you get symptoms, you need to stay home and take care of yourself," said Dr. Shauna McIsaac, director of Pinal County Public Health Department. "Similar to the flu, most people will only have mild symptoms that do not require a visit to a healthcare provider or hospital. Individuals who are older or have underlying health conditions like chronic lung disease are at higher risk of more severe illness. Occasionally, a young, healthy person will have severe disease. Unfortunately, this woman is one of those people," she added.

"We are moving into a public health strategy that is just like seasonal flu. We know that healthcare workers are exposed to people with flu and other infectious diseases all the time and therefore are at higher risk, which is why they wear personal protective equipment," said Dr. Rebecca Sunenshine, medical director for disease control at Maricopa County Department of Public Health. Now that there is community spread of COVID-19, just like during flu season, it is important for everyone, especially healthcare workers, to stay home when they are sick to avoid exposing others. "We are no longer recommending quarantine of exposed healthcare workers who don't show any symptoms because we need our healthcare workforce during this response," Dr. Sunenshine added.

COVID-19 is a respiratory infection with symptoms including fever, cough, and shortness of breath. The vast majority of people with the disease have mild symptoms and will not require medical intervention.

COVID-19 is believed to spread mostly through respiratory droplets produced when a sick person coughs or sneezes. Currently, there is no vaccine or treatment, but treatments are being studied and a vaccine is currently under development. Individuals with COVID-19 should be provided with supportive care including fluids or fever-reducing medication.

Since receiving the presumptive positive test result, Pinal County and Maricopa County have been working together to interview close contacts of the case and recommend symptom monitoring.

Overall recommendations to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other diseases spread through respiratory droplets are:

• Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water is not readily available, use

an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

- · Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently-touched objects and surfaces like door knobs, light switches, and electronic devices using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

Symptoms of COVID-19 are thought to appear within two to 14 days after exposure to the virus and consist of fever, cough, runny nose, and difficulty breathing. Those considered at risk for contracting the virus are individuals with travel to an area where COVID-19 is spreading or individuals in close contact with a person under investigation for COVID-19.

If you recently traveled to an area where COVID-19 is spreading and have developed fever with cough or shortness of breath within 14 days of your travel or have had contact with someone who is suspected to have COVID-19, stay home and call your healthcare provider. If you do not have a healthcare provider, you may need to be seen at your local hospital emergency room/urgent care center. Please call the emergency room/urgent care center to get instructions before going in.

Public health encourages concerned individuals to follow credible sites for information about COVID-19. For up-to-date facts, please visit www.pinal.gov/publichealth and http://www.Maricopa.gov/Coronavirus. For statewide case counts and information about testing at the Arizona State Public Health Lab, please visit www.azhealth.gov/COVID-19.

Pinal County continues to lower tax rate

FLORENCE, AZ - Pinal County is proud to be able to lower the tax rate for another year. On Aug. 19, 2019, the Pinal County Office of Management and Budget proposed to the Board of Supervisors a primary property tax rate of \$3.7900 per \$100 of valuation. The proposal stemmed from an overall Pinal County Strategic Plan, Strategic Priority #4 - Financial Health. The goal, maintain a structural balance while investing in the County's future and reducing the primary property. Objective 4.2: Reduce the primary property tax rate at or below \$3.7500 by

fiscal year 2020/2021. Director of the Pinal County Office of Management and Budget, Angie Woods stated, "Not many counties in the state have a strategic plan in place for primary property tax rate goals. This has been a great success for us and we are very satisfied with the outcome."

To get a better idea of what happens to a taxed one dollar bill in Pinal County, here are some insights. In the fiscal year 2019-2020, the Pinal County portion of the tax levy was roughly 26 cents. In the fiscal year 2010-2011, the

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Pinal County Adult Probation providing free CPR training to help save lives, make community safer

Did you know that Sudden Cardiac Arrest is the leading cause of death in adults and 75 percent of all Cardiac Arrests happen in the home?

ARE YOU PREPARED?

On Monday, April 6, 6-8 p.m. Pinal County Adult Probation will provide coaching to the local residents and teach them to save lives through compression-only CPR. The training will be held at the Superior Town Hall, 199 N. Lobb Ave. and is for anyone (age 10 and older) who wish to attend.

Compression-only CPR allows bystanders to keep lifesaving blood flowing through a victim's body just by pressing on the chest in a hard, fast rhythm. Bystanders who provide compression-only CPR can double or

triple a cardiac arrest victim's chances of survival.

The Pinal County Adult Probation's vision is to raise awareness and hope in our community. CPR saves lives, one compression at a time through project

For questions, please contact: Thomas Lopez (520) 866-5614 or Sunni Rabago (520) 866-5655.

Preparing for the first day of kindergarten starts now

The holidays are behind us, but if you have a preschooler who will be entering kindergarten nex/t school year, it's not too early to start getting them ready. In fact, many schools hold their kindergarten registration events beginning this month.

First Things First (FTF), Arizona's early childhood organization, has many suggestions on what families can do at home to prepare their child to be successful on the first day of kindergarten. The FTF Kindergarten Readiness page, found at https://www.firstthingsfirst. org/resources/kindergarten-readiness/, is a resource for parents and caregivers to help children be prepared for school success.

For Sharyn Weinheimer, a National Board Certified Teacher in the Kyrene Elementary School District in Tempe, reading at home is one of the best ways for adults to help a child be ready for kindergarten.

Weinheimer works with families from kindergarten to eighth grade, and leads an early literacy parenting series for the school district.

"There's a lot of research behind the importance of reading to your child at home and how it promotes brain grown and helps you bond with your child," Weinheimer said. She tells parents to set a routine to read with their

"Don't just skip it," she said. "I'm a parent. I know it's not easy. But it doesn't have to be at home in a reading corner. Bring a bag of books and read in the car. They'll read at the breakfast table. I'll show parents a picture of my daughter reading outside."

Below are some tips from First Things First to help your preschooler have a fun, easy transition to kindergarten:

• Read with your child at least 20 minutes per day. Try books that repeat words; involve activities like counting,



Reading to your child will go a long way to preparing them for Kindergarten.

identifying colors, objects or letters; or, are about things your child likes. Ask questions like, "What do you think happens next?"

- Talk with your child everywhere at home, in the car, at the store. Make up stories or songs about your outings.
- Writing begins with scribbling. Give your child safe writing tools to play with, like crayons, chalk or markers and blank paper. Ask your child to tell you about their drawings.
- Teach your child how to use the bathroom by Continued on page 10

Public Notice

INTRODUCTION

Town of Superior, hereinafter known as the TOS, is seeking the services of a qualified Building Inspection Firm to provide Plan Review and Inspection Services for the Planning and Building Department. The contract is anticipated to start October 01, 2020 and will cover a period of three (3) years with an option The Town reserves the right to amend this contract for additional time if it is in the best interest of the Town.

Separate work orders will be developed reserves the right to select a different Consulting Engineer for these Town projects if it is in the best interest of the public to do so as determined by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 1: RFQ Submittal and Closing

An original, five (5) copies and electronic copy of RFQ in PDF or Print format must be received by 5:00 p.m. local time on March 20, 2020. RFQs may not exceed 30 pages. Either electronic or US Postal Service delivery is acceptable. You may (520) 689-5752 and speak with Todd Prvor to confirm receipt. Submittals be considered. The cover letter must be signed by a party authorized to bind the entity submitting the RFQ. Firms submitting RFQs not in compliance with Section 4 will be considered nonresponsive. RFQs must be addressed to the following:

Town of Superior Attn: Todd Pryor 199 N Lobb Ave. Town of Superior, AZ 85173 (520) 689-5752 manager@superioraz.

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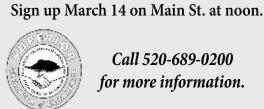
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tax levy was up 31 cents. The rate reduction over the past five years results in a significant amount of savings estimating \$22 million in primary property tax levy reduction from the start of the fiscal year 2015-2016 tax rate at \$3,999.

"Over the last several years, my fellow Board Members and I voted to decrease the property tax levy. By doing so, this \$22 million goes back into the pockets of the residents in Pinal County," Supervisor Goodman said. "The Board of Supervisors and staff are working more efficiently with our taxpayer dollars as well as maintaining our reserve for a rainy day."

For more information please visit the Pinal County Management and Budget webpage at pinal.gov/ BudgetOffice





Call 520-689-0200 for more information.

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Superior Chamber of Commerce Presents 32nd Annual Apache Leap Mining Festival

SUPERIOR, ARIZ. — From Friday, March 13 through Sunday, March 15, 2020, the Superior Chamber of Commerce will present the 32nd Annual Apache Leap Mining Festival, a fun-filled event that showcases Superior's rich history as a mining town. The theme of this year's festival is "Celebrating Mining Machinery, Past and Present." Featuring an exciting line-up of family-friendly activities — including a parade, carnival, live entertainment, and opportunities to learn about the history of Superior and the mining industry — this unique event is much-loved by locals and visitors each year.

The Apache Leap Mining Festival will launch on Friday evening with a carnival, vendors selling food and goods, music and dancing on Main Street. The festivities will continue on Saturday, beginning with the annual parade and hilarious Chihuahua races, which feature a runoff between the fastest small dog and the fastest Chihuahua. Live entertainment will contribute to the upbeat atmosphere throughout the day, culminating with Saturday night's headliner band, Power Drive. Each year, the Festival features a variety of fun handson activities for all ages. For instance, attendees will not want to miss the mining competition, in which participants perform grueling tasks such as sawing, mucking, spiking and drilling in a battle to win the coveted prize of \$3,000. Less strenuous options will include Superior Rocks, in which small painted rocks are hidden throughout the downtown area, found and exchanged for small prizes. Younger members of the family will enjoy the Kid's Zone, where they will learn about mining through hands-on activities, like panning for pennies. After a full day, attendees can relax and enjoy a refreshing beverage in the Blasting Zone Beer Garden.

Offering a unique educational opportunity,

representatives from different mine companies will be eager to share information about Superior's history and the past, present and future of the mining industry, while historian speakers will bring to life the area's captivating mining stories. Nature lovers will enjoy an interactive presentation by Wildman Phil, who will perform with his desert reptiles — and choose brave members of the audience to assist him!

The Apache Leap Mining Festival is free to the public, with the exception of vendors, the carnival and the beer garden. Festivities will run from 5-11 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m.-11 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday. The Superior Chamber of Commerce is proud to invite visitors to "Discover Superior—a well-kept secret of an amazing little town."

For more information, visit superiorarizonachamber.org, call 520-689-0200 or stop by the Superior Chamber of Commerce at 165 W. Main St., Superior, Ariz. 85173.





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Community Development Committee Applicants

Applications for two (2) Community Development Committee Members are being accepted for the Town of Superior. The Committee meets in the evenings at 6:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month. Service on the Committee is strictly voluntary.

Interested parties can obtain & submit an application between 8:00 to 5:00 at Superior Town Hall, 199 N. Lobb Ave, Superior, Arizona with a letter of interest. Open until filled. Equal Opportunity Employer.



Emergency Services Committee Applicants

Applications for one (1) Emergency Services Committee Member are being accepted for the Town of Superior. The Committee meets in the evenings at 6:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month. Service on the Committee is strictly voluntary.

Interested parties can obtain & submit an application between 8:00 to 5:00 at Superior Town Hall, 199 N. Lobb Ave, Superior, Arizona with a letter of interest. Open until filled.

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Superior Chamber of Commerce and

Apache Leap Mining Festival

Friday, March 13 12:30-3:30 pm **FREE Face Painting** Carnival Opens 12:45 pm Adult Scavenger Hunt Begins 5 pm 6:30-10:30 pm Canyon State Band (Street Dance) Mining Competition Begins 1 pm 1:30-2 pm Coppertown Marching Band Saturday, March 14 2 pm Jack San Felice Author & Historian Speaks on 10 am Parade the Woodbury Miners of Superior 10:30 am Carla Foss Plays Guitar & Sings Country Carnival Opens 2:30-3:30 pm 10:45 am Welcome and Parade Winners Announced Kids Obstacle Course (Ages 5-12) 3-5 pm Chihuahua Races 11 am 5 pm Pick Your Own Apache Tear Folklorico Dancers Joaquin Trujillo, PhD, Presents the History of Noon-1 pm 3:45 pm Noon-4 pm Kids Zone – Interactive Learning Hard Rock Superior Mining Activities (Ages 4-11) & Toddler Samba Dancers 4-5 pm Sandbox Construction Zone Mining Competition Awards 5 pm

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Town of Superior Present the 32nd Annual:

March 13th, 14th & 15th



Sunday, March 15

10 am Carnival Opens 10:30-11:30 am Folklorico Dancers

11 am - 3 pm Kids Zone – Interactive Learning Hard Rock

Mining Activities (Ages 4-11) & Toddler

Sandbox Construction Zone

11 am Kids & Adults Scavenger Hunt Begins!

Scott O'Mack, Westland Resources, Presents 11:45 am - 12:45 pm

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12:30-2:30 pm FREE Balloon Sculptor

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LDS youth work to clean Fairview Cemetery

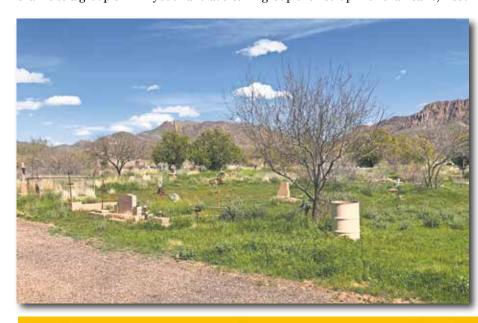
The Fairview Cemetery was on the receiving end of some loving attention thanks to a group of LDY youth and adults

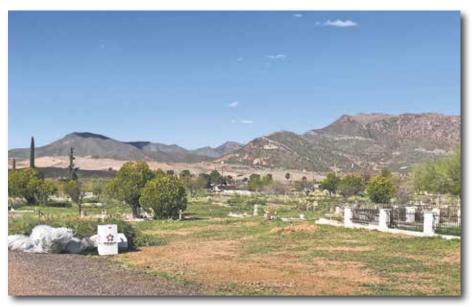
from Chandler.

Over the weekend, the 200-member group showed up with chainsaws, weed

eaters, wheelbarrows, rakes, hoes and shovels and spent more than two hours cleaning the northwest side of the Cemetery.

"This section has not seen any serious
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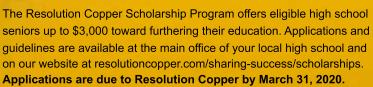


Before (left) and after (right) volunteers cleaned a portion of the Fairview

Cemetery.

Rick Cartier | Submitted



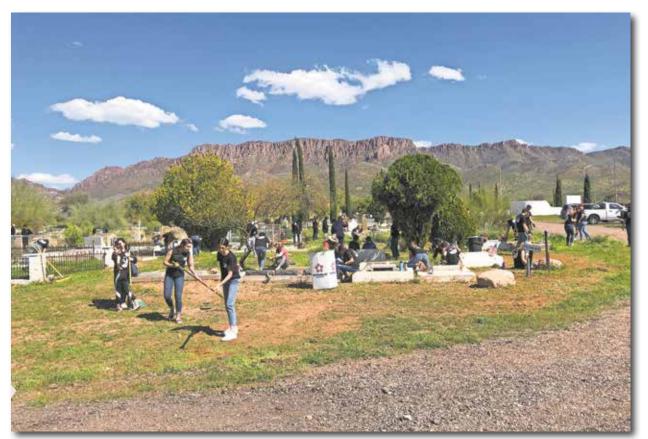


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Volunteers unload equipment needed to clean the Fairview Cemetery.

Rick Cartier | Submitted



Volunteers clean a portion of the Fairview Cemetery.

Rick Cartier | Submitted

Weekly wildflower walks at BTA

The largest desert arboretum in America, Boyce Thompson Arboretum (BTA), announces their weekly Wildflower Walks for each Friday and Saturday in March at 1 p.m. and April at 10:30 a.m.

As one of Arizona's most enchanting outdoor classrooms, Boyce Thompson Arboretum is an ideal place to learn about plants of the world's deserts. During springtime a

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work done in a long time," said Rick Cartier, vice president of the Superior Chamber of Commerce. "They trimmed trees and cut bushes, ran weed eaters, raked, shoveled and made lots of piles of debris for the town to haul off. Thanks to these folks for all their hard work; they really made a difference."

Cartier added, "Our Cemetery is in very poor shape and is in need of a local group of volunteers to take this project on."

If you are interested in helping with this project or need more information, please call Cartier at 602-561-0807.

High School students (10th - 12th) can jump start their careers by enrolling in CVIT's Central Campus Programs located on Gila Community College or Central Arizona College Aravaipa campuses. All tuition, books, and certification fees are paid for by CVIT. Students can earn college credit and industry certification while learning entry level skills.

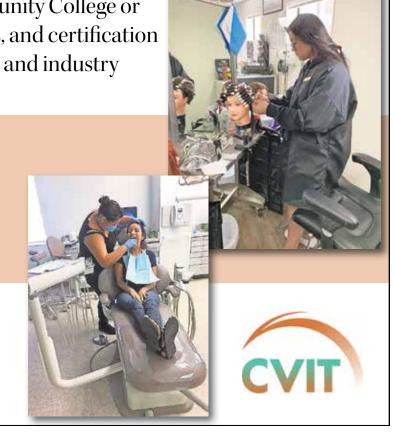
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Lady Panthers remain unbeaten

By Andrew Luberda Superior Sun

The Superior softball improved to 3 – 0 on the season

following its 6 - 1 victory last Friday against visiting

Senior Deandrian Bogenscuhtz and sophomore Myika Cruz each had two hits in the win. Junior Alisha Garcia doubled and drove in three runs.

Sophomore Danika Bryant tossed a one-run complete game, surrendering seven hits with 12 strikeouts.

Up next: Mar. 19 vs. Bagdad at 4 p.m.

KINDERGARTEN

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- Eating a healthy breakfast.
- Walking to the bus stop and talking about boarding and where to sit.
- Practicing how to open parts of lunch, whether it's a carton of milk or a small bag of carrots. Remind them that teachers or lunch staff can help if needed.

Even if you don't have kindergarteners this year, it's never too early to start helping kids prepare. Children who have positive early childhood experiences tend to score higher on school readiness assessments and are more likely to do well in school and graduate.

By turning everyday moments into learning moments, we can send our young kids to school with the skills and confidence that will help them succeed in kindergarten and beyond.

About First Things First – First Things First is a voter-created, statewide organization that funds early learning, family support and children preventive health services to help kids be successful once they enter kindergarten. Decisions about how those funds are spent are made by local councils staffed by community volunteers. To learn more, visit FirstThingsFirst.org.

activities they may be involved in. The more details kids know, the less anxious they will feel. Rehearse for the big day with test-runs of the new

themselves, to wash their hands after going to the

bathroom and before eating, to blow their nose and

Before the first day, talk with your child about what to

expect during the school day and types of after-school

• Choosing what to wear the night before.

sneeze into their elbow.

routine, which will include:

beautiful blooms along the trails.

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wide variety of wildflowers bloom signaling the start of

their popular weekly Wildflower Walks which highlight the

Rain or shine visitors will have the opportunity to learn

gold poppy, penstemon, primrose, Texas mountain laurel,

how to identify such flowers as: globemallow, Mexican

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and others. There will also be a variety of other interesting plants highlighted along the way.

The Wildflower Walks are free with admission and there is no prior sign-up necessary. The walks take place every Friday and Saturday in March at 1 p.m. and then transition to 10:30 a.m. for the month of April.

Boyce Thompson Arboretum is located just outside of Superior, in the stunning Superstition Mountains. Founded in 1924, the arboretum sits on 343 acres and features 18,900 desert plants from around the world. Admission is \$15 for adults, and \$5 for children. Dogs are welcome. Visit www.btarboretum.org for more information.



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Place eggs in saucepan in single layer.

Add cold water to cover eggs by 1 inch.

Heat over high heat just to boiling.

Remove from burner and cover.

Let eggs stand in hot water 9 minutes for medium eggs, 12 minutes for large eggs, or 15 minutes for extra large.

Drain water, then cool completely under cold running water or in bowl of ice water.

Refrigerate.

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Superior's Ortega notches 100th career victory

By Andrew Luberda Superior Sun

Superior baseball head coach Manuel Ortega watched his team go 3-4 in last weekend's Annual Joe Padilla Tournament, hosted by Florence High School. One of those three wins represented a career milestone for the Panthers' seventh-year head coach, as his team's 9-2 win on Friday against Santa Cruz was the 100th victory of Ortega's career at the same school where he was once a player.

"I have been blessed with a lot of good teams along with great coaching staffs," Ortega told the *Superior Sun*. "This is not just my milestone; this is everyone's milestone. From the players I coached to the guys that (have coached with me)." After trailing 2 – 0 in Friday's game against the Dust Devils, the Panthers scored nine unanswered runs in route to the momentous win.

Sophomore Matthew Cruz went 3-for-3, including a double, with a pair of RBI while junior Nathan Duarte doubled, tripled and drove in three runs. Seniors Gabe Otero and Daniel McConnell had two hits apiece.

Freshman pitcher Richard Drennan threw a four-hit complete game, allowing just two earned runs with a pair of strikeouts and two walks in the first start of his high school career.

Overall, the Panthers' performance during the fourday tournament was good, considering all seven of their opponents were from the Division II or III ranks. Still, the man with 100 career wins now on his resume knows his team could've done even better.

"We need to improve on the defensive side of the ball," Ortega said. "We had way too many errors in the late innings to lose (a few) games. That was our weakness in the tournament when it's usually

strong point. Hopefully we got all the errors out now [because] we can't win games when we have errors."

Up next: Mar. 12 vs. Mogollon, Mar. 19 vs. Bagdad. All games are scheduled for 4 p.m.

Oracle Community Learning Garden to present composting with worms

On Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020, the Oracle Community Learning Garden at Wood Field took the next step in "planting the rain" with a simple earthworks workshop that demonstrates what can be done to direct and collect surface water by contouring the land at a small, household scale.

The workshop was presented by Lincoln Perino, Senior Advisor for Tucson's Watershed Management Group. Volunteers that attended got hands on experience digging basins, building berms, doing minor rockwork for overflows, and mulching.

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The Learning Garden will have another free workshop on Sunday, March 15, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 'Outdoor Composting - With Worms!'

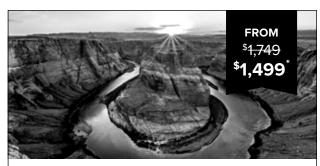
Come learn how to make the world's best fertilizer and help the Oracle Community Learning Garden set up its worm operations. Participants will learn to care for worms, breed worms, separate castings and help the garden set up for an abundant organic future. The instructor will be Zach Brooks, owner of the Arizona Worm Farm, a unique little urban farm near Phoenix centered around sustainability, soil improvement, and turning garbage into food.

This free workshop will be held outside at the Garden,. Hats, gloves, water, snacks are all recommended.

The Learning Garden is located on Mt. Lemmon Rd., north of the Acadia Ranch Museum. Both workshops are funded through a grant from the National Association of Conservation Districts through the Winkelman Natural Resource Conservation District.







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MARCH



18 Game Day at the Sr. Center

Game Day at the Superior Senior Center will be March 18, 10-11:30 a.m. Call Carol at 689-5182 before March 16 if you need a ride. Call Connie 602-703-8858 if you have any questions or comments. A \$2 donation is appreciated.

Horseshoe, Corn Hole Tourney

The family of Ramon "Mon" Denogean will host a horseshoe and corn hole tournament on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at the US 60 Park in Superior. Sign ups begin at noon and bags/shoes will fly at 2 p.m. Entry fee is \$20 per team. Food, drinks and raffle tickets will be sold. Funds raised will help to cover medical expenses for Ramon who was recently diagnosed with sarcoma cancer. For more information please contact Chella Preciado at 520-827-0966.



28 SHS Hall of Fame Induction

SHS Hall of Fame Assoc. will host its 11th Annual Induction Ceremony "Preserving our School's History", Saturday, March 28. The event begins at 4 p.m. (Doors Open/ Registration 3 p.m.) and will be held at the Superior Junior/Senior High School, located at 100 W. Mary Dr. in Superior. The 2020 Superior High School Hall of Fame Inductees are: Gary Antilla, Class of 1969, Elain Barrett-Whissen, Class of 1964, Mildred Bryant-Cole, Class of 1956, Armando Gonzales, Class of 1954 and Richard Provencio, Class of 1965 Congratulations to all of the 2020 Inductees! Event tickets are \$30 per person, which includes event admission, dinner and program. Tickets may be purchased by calling SHSHOF event staff at 520-827-0621. For more information call SHSHOF Board Chairwoman Arlynn Benson-Godinez at 520-827-0433.

APRIL

6 Compressions Only CPR Course

Did you know that sudden cardiac arrest is the leading cause of death in adults? Seventy-five percent of all cardiac arrests happen in the home. Are you prepared? CPR can double a person's chances of survival. Join us for the Project CARE Free Compressions Only CPR Course in Superior Town Hall, 199 N. Lobb Ave. on Monday, April 6, from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. This free event for ages 10 & up is hosted by Pinal County Adult Probation. For questions, please call Thomas Lopez at 520-866-5614 or Sunni Rabago at 520-866-5655.



18 Infant Jesus of Prague Golf Tournament

Infant Jesus of Prague Catholic Church will be holding its 4th annual Golf Tournament, in 4 Man Scramble format on Saturday, April 18, at the Kearny Golf Course. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. and tee-off will be 8 a.m. Special events will include Skins, \$\$\$ Hole, Longest Drive and Longest Putt. \$50 per player. Food and drinks will be sold. There will be breakfast burritos, menudo, green, red and bean burritos and hamburgers and hot dogs for sale. There is still time to sponsor a hole for \$50. For more information contact: Ramon Maes at 520 363-7120, Tino Flores at 520 665-9944 or Michael Real at 520 665-1144. Golf carts are very limited so call ASAP! Please join in, have fun and help support our church.

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.

ON THE AGENDA

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Join us on the third Wednesday of each month for lunch and informative meeting at the chamber office, 165 W. Main St. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 520-689-0200. There is a fee for lunch.

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, 360 W. Main St., invites seniors to join the center and enjoy a nice meal and great company. Meals are \$2 for adults 60 and over. Under 55 is \$4. Bingo is every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. A pastry bingo is held on the last Thursday of the month beginning at 10 a.m. All are welcome. Need a ride to the center or more information? Call 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, please call the school district for the next meeting date, 689-3000.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Kennedy Elementary Preschool is accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Children must be 4 years of age by Sept. 1, 2020 and parents/guardians will need to provide the child's original birth certificate, immunization records, and proof of residency. Applications are available at JFK Elementary School, 1500 Panther Drive., Superior. For more information please call 520.689.3000x3049.

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