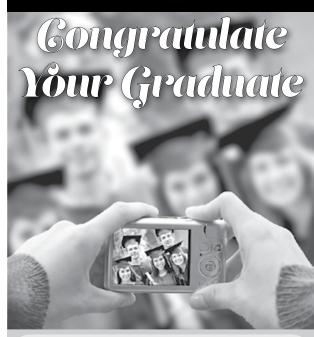


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# Mercy Christine Lopez

OBITUARY

Mercy Christine Lopez, "Punkin" was born on Oct. 16, 1951 at Magma Copper Co. Hospital in Superior to Camerino and Mercedes Lopez. She entered into eternal rest on April 20, 2018, surrounded by family, at her home in Randolph.

"Punkin" was happy-go-lucky, loved to sing and dance, color and draw, and shop! She attended school in Kearny, under the direction of Mrs. Rosalind Padilla. Some of her

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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 classmates, to name a few, were Joanna Sanchez, Cindy Arroyos, Mickey Aguilar, Susie Eisle, Joey Schertz, Sherry

Tinsdale, and Anna Quiroz. After her mother's death, she became a resident of the Arizona Training Center in Randolph. There she was greatly loved and cared for by the loyal and faithful staff: Veronica Simms, Sabrina Hernandez, Laura Escarcega, Megan Thompson, Maira Martinez, Ashley Martinez, and Eloisa Thoreson.



She is preceded in death by

her parents, Camerino and Mercedes; nephews, Lawrence Lopez and Gary Kent Lopez; sister-in-law, Becky Jo Lopez; niece, Krista Lopez; and great nephew, Mark Anthony Gomez.

She is survived by brother and sister-in-law, Hector and Sandra; sister, Gerry; brother and sister-in-law, Camerino Jr, and Judith; and brother, Steve. She also leaves behind many nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and extended family.

Services will be held on Saturday, May 5, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Superior, Arizona. The viewing will be at 8:30 a.m., the Holy Rosary at 9:30 a.m., Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m., interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery. A luncheon will be provided at St. Mary's Center immediately following the interment.



### **Superior Police Report**

According to state law, police may arrest suspected offenders by two methods. The suspect may be physically taken into the department and booked into jail, or the arresting officer may write a citation and release the suspect to appear in court later. All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Only criminal citations are listed. All damage amounts are estimates. Items are given to The Superior Sun by the Superior Police Department and reflect information available at the time the report is compiled. Activity listed April 19-25.

April 20

Cody R. Johnson, 33, Phoenix, was arrested in the 1100 block of Hwy. 60 and was charged with driving on a suspended license. He was cited and released.

### <u>OBITUARY</u> Marcella Gonzales Garcia

Marcella Gonzales Garcia, 69, devoted wife, mother and grandmother passed away unexpectedly on April 15, 2018 in Show Low, Arizona.

Marcella was born on Nov. 30, 1948 in Superior, Arizona. She was preceded in death by her parents Leo and Maria Luisa Gonzales, sister Jessie (Tony) Huerta and brother Richard (Linda) Ochoa.

She is survived by her sisters, Laura (Ray) Vasquez and Francis Gonzales; brother, Leo (Cecilia) Gonzales. She is also survived by her husband of 48 years, Jesse S. Garcia; sons, Jesse (Celena) Garcia and John (Brooke) Garcia; daughter, Nina L. (Jesse) Barrera; and 10 grandchildren, Jesse Barrera Jr., Brianna Garcia (Colin-Lopez), Zavier Garcia; Olivia L. Barrera, Jacob Garcia, Michael Garcia, Gage Garcia, Adam Garcia, Esai Barrera and Adrian Garcia.

Services were held Saturday, April 21, 2018 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Superior with

interment following at Fairview Cemetery, Superior.

April 21

Nancy Y. Huerta, 56, Superior, was arrested in the 400 block of Picket Post Dr. and was charged with disorderly conduct. She was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail in Florence.

#### April 23

Elicia M. Beltran, 42, Superior, was arrested in the area of Hwy. 177 and Ray Rd. and was charged with driving on a suspended license. She was cited and released. **April 24** 

Theft was reported in the 1100 block of Hwy. 60.

Dustin A. Thompson, 31, Superior, was arrested in the 600 block of Crowe St. and was charged with forgery and theft of a credit card. He was also arrested on a warrant issued out of the Apache Junction Police Department for violation of a court order. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

#### April 25

Criminal damage was reported in the 600 block of Hill St. Theft was reported in the 100 block of Lobb Ave. Albert Aguilar, 46, Superior, was arrested in the 600 block of Wight St. on a probation warrant and failure to appear warrant issued out of the Pinal County Sheriff's Office. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail. Leonetta J. Newman, 30, San Carlos, was arrested in the 700 block of Sonora St. on a probation violation warrant issued out of the Pinal County Sheriff's Office. She was

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### APS Community Connectors host pastry bingo at the senior center

APS provides power for customers in the Globe/Miami, Top of the World, Superior, Kearny, Hayden and San Manuel. Anytime there is an issue or outage in these communities the APS Globe Service Center provides the crew who answers the call. But the employees also enjoy volunteering their time in the communities, not just when there is a problem. Last week, volunteers from APS, called 'Community Connectors', visited the Superior Senior Center and hosted a Pastry Bingo. 'We pride ourselves in giving back to the communities we serve, as well as providing reliable energy,' said Amy Byrd, a Connector with APS. For more information on the organization, visit online at http://bit.ly/2jIBMQI. Cat Brown | Sun

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transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

Earlene M. Gutierrez, 20, Superior, was arrested in the 700 block of Sonora St. on two failure to appear warrants issued out of the Pinal County Sheriff's Office. She was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

Calls not listed include traffic stop (27), disturbance (3), information (6), welfare check (4), suspicious activity (2), civil matter (4), attempt to locate (1), animal complaint (4), agency assist (7), citizen assist (2) and field interview (1).

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

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ast Valley Pentecostal Church is located in Mesa at 4151 E. Pueblo. The church joined the Superior Chamber of Commerce after its congregation participated in several local events as a food vendor. The members of the church enjoy selling their "Twisted Tators" and Taco Salads local events and they also enjoy getting involved with the community of Superior. The



# EV Pentecostal Church

church is led by Pastor William Luckenbaugh. About a dozen residents of Superior call the East Valley Pentecostal Church their home church. The church does provide transportation from Superior to church services on Sundays and many provide their own transportation. Church services are held at the following times: Sunday School 3 p.m., Sunday Worship 4 p.m., Tuesday Bible Study 7 p.m. and Saturday Family Prayer 5:30 p.m.

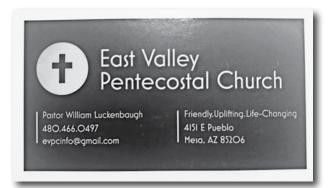
The faith based foundation of the church comes from the second chapter of the Book of Acts from the Bible. The teachings are Biblically based. Congregation member Tiffany Rowell explained that the church is a "small down to earth church family, it is a great place for children and families." The church is a non-denominational church, their mission is being "Friendly, Up-Lifting, Life Changing".

East Valley Pentecostal Church also hosts a Summer Camp for kids and the church also gathers frequently with other Pentecostal Churches in the East Valley to allow for



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You can contact East Valley Pentecostal directly to learn more about attending their church, their activities or to arrange transportation: evpcinfo@gmail.com or 480-466-0497.



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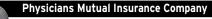


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# Superior mural taking shape

Rebuild Superior Inc. and the Chamber of Commerce begin the first official Public Art project in Superior. The mural, similar to a 50's style postcard, is being painted by 7 local artists and is coordinated by Juliana Brutsche. Check out the West side of the Senior Center building and watch the progress. Thank you Resolution for your help with funding this project.

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### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

### St. Francis 100th Anniversary

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is celebrating its 100th Anniversary this year and is looking to compose the church history. Anyone who can help with pictures, information or any other historical materials is asked to please contact the church office at 11 Church Avenue or by calling 520-689-2250.



### **Bob Jones Museum Hours**

Bob Jones Museum is open on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from noon - 3 p.m. It will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

### Arboretum Summer Hours Begin

May's the month when Summer hours resume, daily through the end of September the Arboretum is open from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., with no entry after 2 so each day's final visitors have one full hour to explore and enjoy the gardens and trails. Confirm BTA weekend nature walks, dates and times at cals.arizona. edu/bta; connect with more than 10,000 fans at facebook.com/btarboretum

### APRIL JFK Book Fair & Community Night

The Second Annual JFK Elementary Book Fair will be held April 30 through May 4. There will be a Community Night with free hot dogs and drinks on Wednesday, May 2 from 5-8 p.m. All proceeds will help with field trips and classroom needs.



### Free Dump Day for Superior residents

On Saturday, May 5, at the transfer station, at 7 a.m. - noon or when the roll-offs are full, there will be a free dump day for Superior residents. Trash, yard waste, furniture, mattresses and junk will be accepted. Green waste must be separated. Each resident may bring up to five tires and two appliances with freon (refrigerators, A/Cs, etc). NO paint, oil or hazmat is allowed. Questions? Call Sue Anderson at 602-625-3151. The clean up made possible by the Town of Superior, Republic Services and the Chamber of Commerce.

### 21–24 Math Boot Camp

Central Arizona College will hold a free Summer Math Boot Camp at the Aravaipa Campus May 21-24. By participating in a math camp, students will be better prepared to take the ACCUPLACER Math Placement Test. The ACCUPLACER Math Boot Camp is a 20-hour class conducted in a lecture and lab format. Students will take an initial test to determine their strengths and areas where additional work may be needed. By mastering topics that were previously confusing, students will boost their ACCUPLACER Math score. The camp will be held from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. each day. For more information, contact Bennie DeSantiago at 520-357-2812 or benny.desantiago@ centralaz.edu.

JUNE Free Vacation Bible School

Bible stories, games, music and much more! Free Vacation Bible School, themed "Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus," and VBS is open to any child 4 years of age - 5th grade from June 4 - 8. Contact Gold Canyon United Methodist Church, 6640 S. Kings Ranch Rd. Please register by calling (480) 982-3776



### Eagle One Veteran Outreach to Visit

The Eagle One Veteran Outreach Center will be at the VFW in Superior on Thursday, June 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit them online at hohp4heroes. org. Eagle One provides veterans a place to learn about and apply for all services available to them.

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

**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, 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.



### **Superior Head Start Registration**

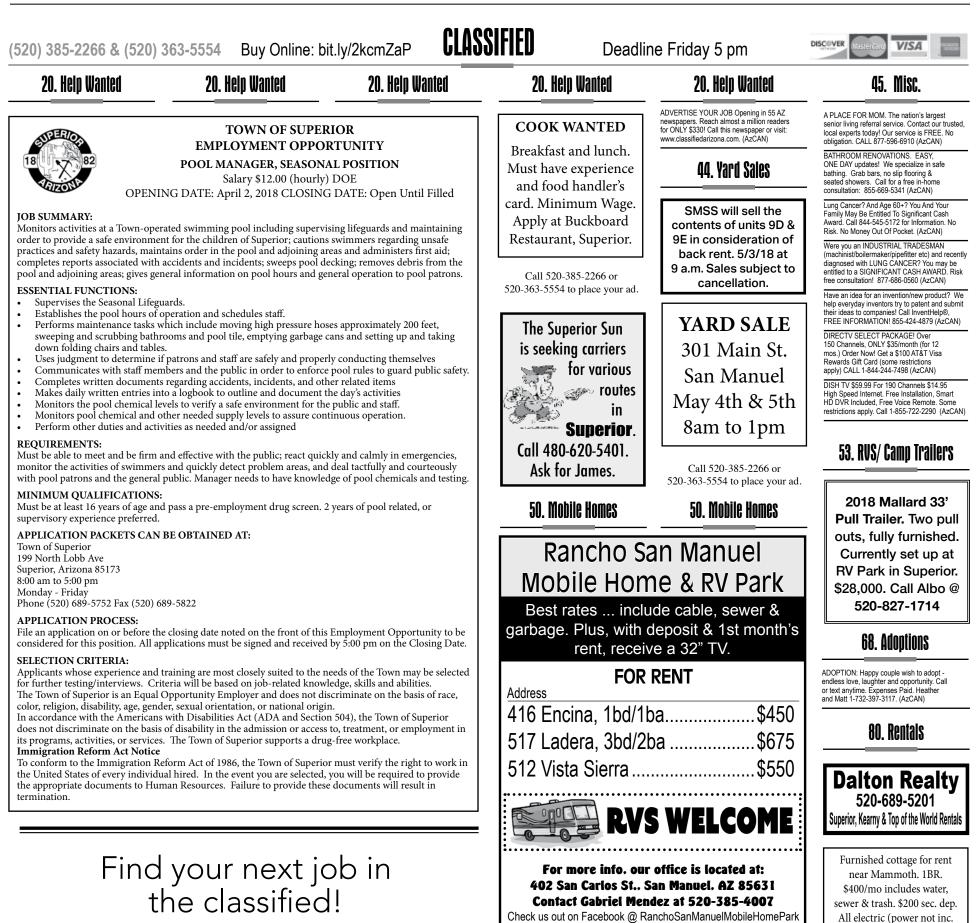
Head Start is taking applications now for the upcoming 2018-19 school year. Applications may be completed online at: www.pgccs.org Families must provide proof of income, guardianship and immunizations. Head Start is a free pre-school program that prepares children ages 3 and 4 years for kindergarten and promotes school readiness skills for children and their families. Children receive free healthy meals and if qualify, may receive free medical and dental care. Head Start provides classroom experiences to support parenting challenges and individualized services to children with disabilities. Transportation is not available. Superior Head Start is located at 150 N. Lobb Ave. Call site manager, Hilda Cardenas, 520-689-2812 for more information.

### Play Bingo in Miami

In 2018, Bingo at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church on Sullivan St. in Miami will be held on the first and third Tuesday of the month. Those over age 18 are welcome to join in, starting at 6 p.m., with doors opening at 5 p.m. There will be three Early Bird games and then the rest of a 21 game pack. Packs are \$19 per player. There will be a snack bar. If you would like more information about CDA or Bingo, please contact Mary Stemm, Regent via email atjmstemm@cableone.net.



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