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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Kudos to Alex Gort and the Sea Lions Swim Team

I would like to acknowledge the hard work and good deeds of Alex Gort and the Sea Lions Swim Team. It is because of their hard work and dedication to the community that the San Manuel swimming pool continues to be a positive focal point in the Tri-Community area, something that we all can be proud of. So if you or your family and friends use the pool or if you benefit from the out-of-town visitors that attend Sea Lions swim meets, please be sure to thank Mr. Gort and everyone on the swim team for everything they do for this community.

The Sea Lions swim team is successful due to the vision and commitment of Alex Gort, who started the team over 10 years ago. His unwavering dedication has made and is continuing to make a real difference in the lives of kids. The summer swim team has won the Central Arizona Swimming League Championship for the past 8 years, beating teams from larger communities such as Coolidge

and Florence. The success of the team over the years has lead to the formation of a San Manuel High School Swim Team and a USA Swimming Team (yep, that's the same organization that Michael Phelps and Missy Franklin swim for). The USA Team has multiple State Champions. San Manuel High School swimmers have qualified for State.

The swim team teaches around 80 kids each year the benefit of hard work, exercise, discipline, teamwork, competition, tenacity, and dedication. In addition, the kids learn a life skill that they can use the rest of their lives. Parents of the swimmers volunteer as life guards, coaches, swim officials, meet helpers, and fund raisers for both the summer league, USA swimming, and high school swimming.

In addition to teaching kids from age 4 to 18 how to swim, the team provides goggles and team swim suits to those who cannot afford to buy them. USA swim meets are held at the San Manuel pool, bringing in swimmers from all over the State to compete.

The swim team spends 5 - 6 hours a week of volunteer time cleaning and vacuuming the pool. They bought and installed both a solar heating system and pool covers to help keep the water warm in the spring and fall, and to reduce chemical use and operating costs. All of this time and effort benefits the entire community and it is all done with 100% volunteer labor.

So, if you support Mr. Gort and the Sea Lions Swim Team and all that they do for the kids in our community, please, please, please let the School Board, Community Schools, the School Superintendent, the *Miner* and everyone know because this program is in danger of being wiped out by people who are incapable of recognizing and understanding the enormous positive impact the swim team has on the kids, the swimming pool and this community.

Thank you, /s/ Jericho Barrons



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## **OBITUARIES**

## **Charles Stuart Smallhouse**

Charles "Chuck" Stuart Smallhouse, 83, passed away on May 22, 2015.

Chuck was a 4th generation Tucsonan and the oldest son of Kingston and Margaret Smallhouse. He was born Jan. 22, 1932. His early years were spent on the family's Carlink Ranch in Redington, AZ. He studied in a one-room ranch school until the family moved into Tucson, and finished school at Mansfeld and Tucson High. He graduated from the University of Denver and became an engineer at Ford Aerospace in the San Francisco Bay Area, where his worked centered on satellite communications. He was a Lt. Colonel in the Army Reserve and frequently assigned to the Pentagon.

In 1994 he and his wife, Nancy, retired to Oracle.

A lifelong hobby was Ham radio operations and he had a worldwide network of friends with whom he communicated. He was an avid skier and achieved the highest rating as an international technical delegate for the International Ski Federation.

He served on the Oracle Fire Board and Citizens Emergency Response Team, and was active in the Arizona State Parks Off Highway User Group.

Chuck was preceded in death by his younger brother John, and survived by his wife of over 60 years, Nancy; sons, David (Sarah) of Tucson, Daniel (Cathy) of Sacramento, and Mark (Tammy) of Reno; grandchildren, Thomas, Laura, Matthew, Megan, Misty and Amber; and six6 great grandchildren; sister-in-law, Mary Smallhouse of Redington; niece, Elizabeth Gay (Lowery) of Scottsdale; and nephew, Andrew Smallhouse (Stefanie) of Redington.

A memorial will be held at 4 p.m. June 13 at the Oracle Union Church. The family requests that in lieu of flowers to consider a gift to the Arizona Cancer Center.

## Claudia Roybal

Claudia Roybal 96, long time resident of San Manuel and Oracle, passed away May 18, 2015.

Claudia and her family moved to San Manuel in March of 1954 from Utah. Claudia cooked at the local hospital for 35 years before retiring and moving to Oracle. Claudia was preceded in death by her husband, Lalo, and sons, Ramos (Ray) and Larry. She is survived by two sons, Fred (Marie) and John (Gilda); three daughters, Anna Murray (Scot), Dorothy Hidalgo (Richard) and Michelle Roybal; 19 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren



and four great-great-grandchildren.

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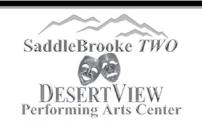


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comedy, "A Really Big Shew." Terry and Sherie team up to create a magical experience featuring the music and magic of Manilow and Midler! \$25 inclusive \$30 door.

Wednesday, July 15, 2015 - A Salute to Hank Williams & Early Country Classics - 7:30pm. Produced by Lonely Street Productions. Starring Alex Mack. Very few artists leave such an indelible mark on the world that their work transcends categorization and generations. One name that belongs on this very short list is Hank Williams, Sr. While he was "country" through and through, his iconic catalog has stood the test of time and provided an endless source of inspiration for generations of musicians to follow. \$25 inclusive \$30 door.



Thursday, July 30, 2015 - Catch a Wave -Beach Boys - 7:30pm. TAD Management Summer Concerts 2015. The California-based tribute to The Beach Boys! The sounds of surf, sun and classic cars set the backdrop for the legendary Beach Boys presented by the world-renowned show, "Catch a



Wave." Formerly known as The Beach Toy, Catch a Wave is the only true-to-form tribute of its kind.

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Thursday, September 3, 2015 - Teen Idols - 7:30pm. TAD Management Summer Concerts 2015. There is nothing that can stir old memories like revisiting the music of your teen years. Tonight we take you back to relive those memories through the sounds and sights of



all your favorite Teen Idols. Sit back and reminisce to the music of Bobby Vee, Frankie Avalon, Paul Anka, Pat Boone, Ricky Nelson, Dion, and more. \$25 inclusive \$30 door.

Thursday, October 1, 2015 - Cory McCloskey - Love Boat - 7:30pm. Produced by TAD Management. Fox TV's Cory McCloskey's brings his critically-acclaimed "Cruise Ship Variety Show" to the stage in this entertaining show featuring some of the best Cruise Ship entertainers in the business along with Cory's versatile and inimitable style! \$25 inclusive \$30 door.



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# Simple precautions by motorists can prevent wildfires; ADOT provides tips for drivers to reduce wildfire danger



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Low humidity, high winds and hot temperatures are a dangerous combination that can lead to the rapid spread of wildfires. More than 50 percent of wildfires in Arizona are human caused according to the Arizona State Forestry Division.

"We are all responsible for preventing wildfires. Drivers should take a few extra precautions to prevent roadside fires from igniting," according to Arizona State Forester Jeff Whitney. "It can be as simple as ensuring your trailer tow chains are secure and not dragging on the ground."

ADOT suggests motorists follow these tips to prevent wildfires along Arizona's roadways:

- Avoid driving or parking your vehicle in tall grass.
- Never throw a lighted cigarette out of a vehicle.
- When pulling a trailer, attach safety chains securely; loose chains can drag on the pavement and cause sparks, igniting roadside fires.
- Look behind you before driving away from fire-sensitive locations such as areas with tall grass or campsites to check for signs of a developing fire.
- Observe "Red Flag" fire weather warnings. These warnings are issued when weather conditions are conducive to the easy start and rapid spread of wildfires.
- Always use a spark arrestor on internal combustion engines.

Drivers should also remember these tips when driving through smoke from wildfires:

- Drive with lights on low beam. High beams will reflect back off the smoke and can reduce your visibility even
- Look out for slow-moving and parked vehicles. Other cars may be traveling slowly due to reduced visibility.
   Emergency vehicles may be parked along the side of the road.
- Increase the distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front of you. Don't rush or speed to get out of the smoke
- If you're having trouble seeing the roadway, use the right edge of the pavement or the painted edge line stripe as a guide.

For more on wildfires, visit azein.gov, the state's online source for real-time emergency updates, preparedness and hazard information. Another source for wildfire information is wildlandfire.az.gov, which is supported by a collaboration of federal and state agencies.

You can also go online to Oraclefire.org for more information on how to make your home and property FireWise.

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## Vaccines: Know All You Can

accines have performed an important role in our history. The concept is simple. It takes advantage of our immune system's ardent response to whatever it perceives as harmful to our bodies.

When the immune system detects something it perceives as harmful, it will mount a defense response that usually includes antibodies against that particular invading substance. It has the ability to create innumerable, unique antibodies – one unique design of antibody for each targeted invading substance. These

antibodies will never give up their protective stance.

Vaccines stimulate an immune response by introducing minute amounts of substances that society perceives as a danger; e.g. small pox, malaria, polio, hepatitis, many common childhood contagious illnesses, etc. These substances may be treated or killed so as not to create the very illness that it is trying to prevent.

The immune system detects these minute amounts of invading substances and creates antibodies to them, thus establishing a unique antibody system against future invasions of larger, more problematic invasions of that substance.

For example, if a person is vaccinated against a particular flu virus, antibodies will already be available to fend off an attack by that particular virus before they can multiply and cause a serious illness. A key to remember here is that immunity will be established with that unique antibody, only for that particular virus, not flu viruses in general.

That is why this year's flu vaccine, made from last year's flu viruses, may not be effective for this year's flu viruses.

In theory, vaccines work beautifully. The reality of vaccines gets a little muddled when other substances are added to the mix. Some additives are included as preservatives. Some are added to enhance the immune system's response.

Anything added is subject to a response as the immune system tries to determine its potential harm to the body and, also, simply because of its inherent toxicity.

For example, mercury is an additive of great



By Dr. Michael Miles

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controversy. It has been used extensively in the past as a preservative. Mercury is a known neurotoxin. The body may respond violently to its presence. It has been linked to autism in some individuals.

As is true with any exposure in life, a lot is dependent upon an individual's personal susceptibility. Most people are able to withstand exposures to small amounts of toxins, while others may react violently.

Other potential additives of concern include aluminum, formaldehyde, monosodium glutamate (MSG), antibiotics, gelatin, human serum albumin, and yeast proteins.

Aluminum, also a suspected neurotoxin, is used to stimulate a stronger response to a vaccine. Formaldehyde is one of the additives used to inactivate unwanted bacteria and viruses. MSG is used to stabilize a vaccine against changes due to excessive heat, light and humidity. These all represent additional threats

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## **WALKING WITH THE LIGHT**

## The Holiness of God

e still and know that I am God" Ps:47;10 I find myself repeating Psalm 47 frequently throughout my day when life's dramas and trials try to lead me away from my grounding, which is God's presence and love for me. We all need to find our own "mantra" that quiets and brings us back into the awareness of God's love for each one of us. Psalm is one of my "mantra's" Even though I think I know who God is by daily spending time with Him in His word and quiet time I seem to always find out something new about Him each day, AND about me.

Last month we focused on the attribute of the Eternality of God, which refers to His timeless nature. God has no beginning and no end. Today we look at the Holiness of God's nature.

Holiness of God: In the Old Testament, the term holiness is applied to God in two senses. First God is separate. Set above all which is created. Yet, it is God who calls us to an ethical purity. Secondly, things are regarded holy because of their connection with God--Holy ground, Holy Sabbath, Holy place. God's holiness permeates anything touched by Him, especially man.

Though all the attributes of gods are important and dependent on one another, the fact of God's holiness seems to be the one He wishes us to put emphasis upon. When God revealed Himself to man (Moses, Job, Isaiah, Mount of Transfiguration, etc.) each encounter mentions His holiness. Isaiah called God "the Holy One" more than 30 times. Psalm 99:9 says, "the Lord our God is holy." Because of His holiness

He cannot accept, nor even look upon sin. (Habakkuk 1:13)

God's holiness is manifested in His righteousness. Because He is holy, He is righteous. This attribute of righteousness is the way His holiness is expressed when dealing with men. Psalm 116:5 and Ezra 129:4; 145:17; Jeremiah 12:1; 1 John 1:9 "God is holy."

When we consider the holiness of God, it may seem impossible for imperfect creatures like ourselves to obey His command to, "Be holy, because I am holy" (1Peter 1:15-16). How are we to set ourselves totally apart from sin? When God created man, He intended for us to experience His glory. Man is the culmination of God's creative activity. Our existence is not random, nor was it an accident. God knew who He was creating, and He intended for each one of us to receive holiness.

So much and so little time and space to discuss in depth this beautiful attribute of Gods, who calls us to be 'Holy as He is holy." Many times that verse has caused me self frustration and a sense of failure. Thankfully In my journey I have come to understand that God understands me more than I understand myself. I have learned that I will never be perfect or holy as God is holy or perfect until I meet Him face to face. All that God asks of each of us is to live one day at a time, in His love, surrounded by His attributes. He loves us right where we are and who we are ..and that's why he doesn't leave us there, but is always calling us closer to Him.

"God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.: Augustine.

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## **Oracle Rocks!**

Bob Scarborough gave an excellent talk on geology at the Acadia Ranch Museum on Friday, June 5. The crowd of 35 asked many questions which Bob answered.

A number of people brought rocks for Bob to identify. Bob also brought a yet unclassified mineral to the event. Geology experts and scientists at the University of Arizona have not been able to identify the rock. It is theorized that it could be from the head of a comet. Bob will continue to seek help from the science community to identify and classify the mystery rock.



The unidentified stone.

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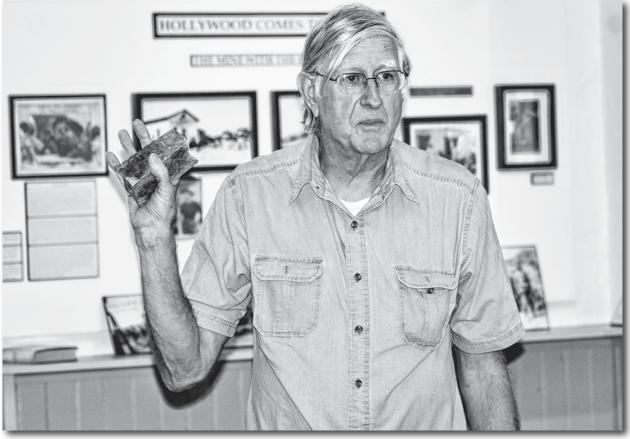
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Geologist Bob Scarborough holds an unidentified, unclassified mineral (black stone). It has been theorized that it could be from the head of a comet.

John Hernandez | Crier



Geologist Bob Scarborough holds a piece of jade at his presentation at the Acadia Ranch Museum.

# Verde River Hot Springs Hotel

here the Verde River and Fossil Creek come together, there are natural hot springs which erupt from the earth and if you look real careful there are also the ruins of the Verde River Hot Springs Hotel and Resort. The ruins are worth finding. We start by following a bumpy, steep, winding, dirt road for miles. As we near the remains of the defunct Childs Power

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# Looking for Something New to Do This Summer?

ow that school is out for the summer, are you looking for something new and interesting to do? Family First Pregnancy Care Center located at 1575 W. American Avenue in Oracle, a nonprofit, educational center that provides help for mothers, youth, children, and families, is looking for young people to volunteer in their Ten for Teens program. While working 1 to 3 hours a week, the teen volunteers do many things to help at the center. They gain valuable work experience in office skills while using computers, internet, and word processing programs to design and create flyers, brochures, and mailings; answering the phone, taking messages, and setting appointments. While working in the center's store, they stock, organize, and help clients make purchases. They learn about childcare while working with clients and their children.

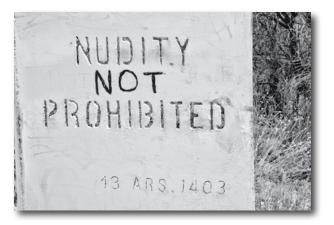
Volunteering is a wonderful way to gain valuable work experience, to give back to the local community, and to meet new people. Teens planning to apply for college admission and scholarships are also encouraged to have volunteer hours to show good character, initiative, and work experience. Several of our former Ten for Teens volunteers have gone on to earn scholarships and successfully completed college degrees.

As one of our former volunteers explained, "Volunteering is a great way to give back to the local community. I think I got more benefits sometimes than the clients. I got to meet people and make new friends; and it also helped me think more about others than just myself. It's a good feeling knowing you are helping others. That feeling lasted much longer than many paychecks I have earned. Family First is a friendly, positive, and happy place to work."

If you are interested in volunteering, visit the center at 1575 W. American Ave in Oracle on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays from 9:30 to 12:30 or from 1:30 to 4:30. Call 896-9545 for more information or to make an appointment to visit the center.

Plant we drive past an official sign which states "Nudity Prohibited" and cites the state statute which makes it so. Someone has added graffiti to the sign so it now reads "Nudity Not Prohibited". These hot springs have a reputation for nakedness. We park at the campground and cross the shallow wide river. Is it a bad sign when you start a hike by crossing a creek and discover a flock of vultures roosting in a cottonwood tree on the other side?

The crossing was not bad at this time of year (early summer) the water barely reaching our thighs. There have been people who have washed away and drowned during flood stages. So be careful! We walk along the shore, heading upstream easily before we come to another relatively shallow spot to cross again. We wander an old dirt road and look for our final crossing, almost a mile from the campgrounds, and just short of the old palm trees which mark where the resort used to stand. The Verde River Hot Springs Hotel was a happening spot during the jazz age. There are even rumors that Al Capone used to vacation here. There is no historical evidence at all to support this rumor.





## **EUERY MAN'S MUSINGS**

**By Gary Every** Special to the Crier

There is not much left of the old hotel except for the palm trees and a few concrete foundations. The bath house however is still in pretty good shape. I mean it has no doors, windows or roof, but the stone walls have survived extremely well. The bath tub itself is still in wonderful shape. Little concrete conduits run from the small caverns where the hot water flows from the earth and take it to the concrete hot tub. The water drains out one end before tumbling into the cool clear river in a little waterfall so the water in the hot tub stays sparkling clean. The tub could easily hold a dozen people and has an underwater bench for comfortable sitting. There are pool tools stashed alongside one wall to keep the tub clean and indeed it is. The bath house is located on a picturesque spot about thirty feet above the river and just as the river takes a picturesque bend.

The bath house is covered with graffiti. Each stone that

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- 1. Mine passage
- 6. Chlorofluorocarbon
- 9. Diplomat's forte
- , I Love You" by
- The Doors
- 14. " la la!"
- 15. Harvest helper
- 16. "Pomp and
- Circumstance Marches"
- composer
- 17. Hula necklace
- 18. Exclude
- 19. \*Father, e.g.
- 21. \*Frequently derided gift
- 23. Baseball stat
- 24. "Animal House" party
- 25. "T" in Greek
- 28. Symphony member
- 30. \*Dad, colloquially
- 35. Ballpark stats
- 37. Dollar bills

- 39. \*Where lots of old dads live?
- 40. Norse war god
- 41. \*Mike was the dad in
- the "The Brady
- 43. In the next month
- 44. Whitman's dooryard bloomer
- 46. Dog command
- 47. Fodder holder
- 48. Don't do this to Elvis's
- blue suede shoes
- 50. Type of cell
- 52. Even, to a poet
- 53. Has divine power
- 55. Grandmother, in
- **Britain**

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- \_\_\_ and Son"
- 61. \_\_\_\_\_ 5, band
- 64. Twig of a willow tree
- 65. Extra point value
- 67. Theater boxes
- 69. "It is silent" in sheet

- 70. Money in Myanmar
- 71. Coastal feature
- 72. Hightailed it
- 73. Play part
- 74. Like one who seeks extra attention

#### **DOWN**

- 1. "He said, \_\_\_\_ said"
- 2. The Beatles song/movie
- 3. One of algae
- 4. Distress signal
- 5. Bull opponent
- 6. \*A stallion is a dad to
- 7. Pacquiao to Mayweather, e.g.
- 8. Trouser fabric
- 9. Radio genre
- 10. Came down to earth
- 11. Ghana money
- 12. Arbor Day star
- 15. Stop being excited
- 20. Fat cat in the Orient
- 22. Id's partner
- 24. Very small
- 25. \*These gifts can come

- in handy for dad
- 26. IRS threat
- 27. Useful
- 29. Burden or load
- 31. Goes with chips
- 32. An Osmond
- 33. Soap plant
- 34. \*He signed Father's
- Day into law
- 36. Ginger cookie
- 38. Jazz singing
- 42. Laughing predator
- 45. A company of companions
- 49. It often follows
- "neither"
- 51. \*Nemo's Dad
- 54. Parkinson's drug
- 56. Nary a soul
- 57. Chronic drinkers
- 58. Hurry up
- 59. Cote d'Azur locale
- 60. Livestock food
- 61. A burrito can come with
- or without this
- 62. Check out
- 63. As opposed to a want
- 66. Manhattan
- 68. Hog haven

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## Oracle Patio Café opens brand new market

By John Hernandez Oracle Towne Crier

The Oracle Patio Café, known for its eclectic menu and use of natural and organic ingredients in their food, has now opened a

natural foods market section.

Owners David and Stacey Raneri saw a need in Oracle for some type of market to provide groceries for people in the area. They tried to find a way to take over the Oracle Market after it closed down but ran into too many obstacles.

"We felt there was a real need in the community for a place to get all the stuff to make a good healthy meal," said Stacey. They saw the challenges with transportation in the community and living in a "food desert."

The Patio Café & Market is focusing on more

organic food. They are bringing together local vendors and using their products in the restaurant and market. "This allows us to save on waste and keep the prices down," Stacey said. Some of the local vendors whose

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Grass fed beef from Jojoba Beef Company.



Stacey and David Raneri, owners of Oracle Patio Cafe, are excited about the possibilities of having a market in the restaurant. John Hernandez | Crier

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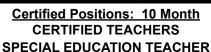
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## June calendar full of events at Oracle State Park

Oracle - Summer is calling and Oracle State Park is open to those who heed the lure of discovery, reveling in learning of the wild plants and animals and the world they inhabit.

From June through September, take the ongoing self-guided weekend tours of the historic multi-level Kannally Ranch House. This Mediterranean-Revival style ranch house was built in 1929, as the home of one of the earliest cattle ranching families in the Oracle area, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. In addition to the self-guided tours, 45-minute Docent or Ranger-Led guided tours are offered only by reservation or on select dates over the summer months. The tours are

free with park admission.

Guest speaker Jim O'Connor will lead visitors on a Saturday evening 'Storytelling Sky Tour' program, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the patio of the Kannally Ranch House on June 6. Take a look at the night sky from different points of view, as Jim share's his core astronomical interest is in how various cultures use the night sky. Learn to tell time at night like a cowboy or an Apache for ceremonies. Learn more about the constellations and stars through multicultural tales. Oracle State Park telescopes will be set up to continue star-viewing following the one-hour program. The park gates will remain open past 5 p.m., so take advantage of

a sunset trail walk or patio picnic, before the program begins.

Saturday, June 13, the Guided Bird Walk, begins at 6:30 a.m. Please call for a reservation and details as space is limited.

On Sunday, June 21, an Extended Guided House Tour begins at 9 a.m. Learn more about one of the earliest cattle ranching families to Oracle, and the architectural treasure they left behind. The Mediterranean-Revival Style ranch house built in 1929, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The tour will continue past the cottages to the corrals.

A reservation-preferred Guided Night Walk and Lunar Viewing with Binoculars will be held on Saturday, June 27, starting at 7:30 p.m. Meet at the Oak-Woodland Area.

Bat night! Saturday, July 25 is bat night! Joel M. Diamond Ph.D., AZGF Research Ecologist will tell us all about the romantically winged rodents. Full information will be posted after July 1 on the park website.

All these events are free with paid admission to the park. For more information, visit online at azstateparks.com/Parks/ORAC. For reservations, call 520-896-2425.

## Join a Master Gardener volunteer group!

Master Gardeners are volunteers for University of Arizona Pinal Cooperative Extension. They assist the public with University research-based, home horticulture information through educational programs and projects. You don't have to be an 'expert' gardener to become a Master Gardener volunteer; you only need a desire to learn and to help others. As a Master Gardener you can help educate and advise home gardeners in your community. Most local residents are newcomers and gardeners inexperienced in the desert environment and are in great

need of gardening and landscape advice. Our training will give you the skills required to identify plants and insects, diagnose plant problems, advise on plant care and give you the confidence to share your expertise with others.

Acceptance into this program is contingent on a commitment to be an active volunteer in one of the Pinal Cooperative Extension working groups. The course costs \$120.00 per person. For more information on when and where the next class will be held contact Kathie Griffin, Master Gardener at kagriff1946@email.arizona.



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#### **Oracle Listings - Homes**

•Custom Home, hilltop views, great room floor plan, high ceilings, fireplace, large front porch, 2 car garage. \$215,000

 Hill Top Views, 3 bdrm, 2 ba, stone fireplace, upgraded kitchen, full length deck, large boulders and oak trees. \$169,000

•Unique home built in the heart of Oracle designed with passive solar heat features 1.26 ac, 2 bdrm, 3 ba, guest quarters or studio, plus 2 car garage. \$294,000

\*Incredible remodel. Beautiful spacious kitchen with island, all new stainless steel appliances, new cabinets and more, 3 bdrm, 3 ba. \$154,900

•3 bedroom, 2 bath newer home with 2 car garage on large lot with upgrades, enclosed backyard with front rock walls, large master suite. \$176,000 •3 bedroom, 2 bath spacious living area, tile floor & fenced backyard. \$121,000

•Historic c. 1909 Bungalow completely modernized, 3 bdrm 2 ba, 1770 sq ft, 2 fireplaces, guest house. \$212,000

Great views, 2832 sqft, 3 bedroom, 4 bath, open kitchen with storage island, pantry, 3 stall horse barn with concrete floors with electric and hay storage, tack room, 3.32 ac. \$367,000 •Immaculate home feels like new! Hilltop location, incredible mountain views & sunsets. 1867 sq ft. 3 bed, 2 bath, open floor plan. \$199,900

•Mountain views 4 bed, 2 1/2 bath, 2,404 sq. ft. plus a 1,244 sq.ft. basement, 34 x 27 detached garage on 6.85 ac. \$449,000.

#### **Oracle-Land**

 Best priced 5 AC in Oracle, homes or manufactured home, mountain views, property can be split. \$49,000

•5 ac parcel mountain views, horse property \$59,900 per 5 ac or \$100,000 for 10 ac owner may carry.

4 view lots, nice views, custom home area, boulders and trees, owner may carry. \$72,000.
4 beautiful 1 ac home sites, owner may carry, utilities at lot line. \$62,000.

•2.5 ac land, borders state land, build your custom home, utilities at street. \$140,000
•Three 3.3 ac. off Linda Vista starting at \$129,900.

•Views, views, views! Very secluded area, well share, horse property, homes or mobiles. 4 ac.

•Fabulous views from this 3.3 acre hilltop parcel. Homes only. \$95,000

•Best priced 5 AC in Oracle, beautiful views, electric and water at the lot line, home or mobile, horse property, can be split. \$42.500

• 49 ac commercial lot on American Ave. in Oracle, excellent location with good traffic for a business \$92,000

•Choose your own parcel from 1.25 to 3.75 ac., flat, easy to build on, utilities at street. \$79,900 to \$199,000

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•Lovely 3 bdrm, 1 bath with like new cabinets, carpet & upgraded appliances. Must see! \$71,900.

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## **MARKETPLACE**

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products are being used and carried include Huntington Family Farms non-GMO eggs, Jojoba Beef Company, Quentin Branch's organically grown produce, Mi Pueblito tortillas and Sky Island Roasters coffee. They also sell Sunizona Farms fresh "yeganically" grown produce.

The market carries prepared meals in grab and go boxes. "The prices are affordable and a better alternative to fast food," said Stacey. Some of the meals have included Jojoba Beef Company grass fed beef meatloaf with pesto and cauliflower and rosemary potatoes; chile rellenos; and a turkey and swiss cheese on a croissant sandwich or wrap. The meals are always changing. They offer prepared salads and side salads such as watermelon and jicama, pasta salad, cranberry chicken salad, Israeli cous cous with lemon and herb dressing; and an olive medley. Don't forget dessert, such as carrot cake with cream cheese frosting, chocolate walnut, and apple streusel. Fresh baked scones, pies, cakes and gelato by the pint in a variety of flavors are available.

Fresh produce at the market includes your basics: lettuce, tomatoes, cucumber, onions and carrots as well as cauliflower, broccoli, red peppers, red potatoes, cantaloupes and honeydew melons. They carry gluten free bread and penne pasta. A whole line of organic products is available including spinach spaghetti, linguini, red wine pasta sauce, cooking oils, balsamic vinegar, free range chicken broth, mayonnaise, ketchup, Horizon brand milk, Greek yogurt, soy and almond milk. Pre-packaged deli products includes sliced salami, shaved all natural turkey breast and sliced cheeses (provolone, swiss and cheddar).

David and Stacey want customer input. They want to know what people buy on a regular basis. Let them know about a product you would like to see them carry.

"We are excited about the market because it's the kind of place we would like to shop at," said Stacey.

The Oracle Patio Café is open 7 a.m. to 3p.m. Tuesday through Sunday with the Market open 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the same days. They are closed Monday.



Even though there isn't much room allocated for the Market in the Oracle Patio Cafe, there is still a lovely selection of items available. John Hernandez | Miner

## **HEALTH ISSUES**

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to the body.

There are other possible substances in vaccines considered junk particles. These substances get into vaccines simply because they are pervasive in the materials used in production. They include RNA, spliced, viral and DNA genetic code fragments, as well as unplanned viruses, plus proteins, prions (like those linked to mad-cow disease), and oncogenes (cancer genes).

As you can see, vaccines are a wondrous advancement in

the tools used in medicine. Unfortunately, they also carry the possibility of transmitting unwanted toxins to susceptible individuals due to manufacturing impurities.

Dr. Michael Miles' Clinic is located at 15601 N. Oracle Rd. in Catalina behind Golf Cars of Arizona. You can learn more about the Catalina Clinic and Dr. Miles by visiting the website: www.catalinaclinic.com. To contact Dr. Miles or make an appointment at the clinic call 520-825-8100.

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### **HOT SPRINGS**

comprises the wall where the pool tools are stashed is painted bright colors of blue, green, yellow and violet. The inside walls are covered with a smorgasbord of graffiti. There are Day of the Dead skulls, knights in armor, brightly colored unicorns, revolutionary manifestoes, representations of the Arizona flag, and my favorite was an otter playing a banjo made of an entire tree. On the far wall was a mural depicting the Verde River Hot Springs Hotel in its heyday and giving the dates 1922 - 1962. Like any collection of graffiti there is rude vulgar nonsense, most of the obscene stuff featuring depictions of famous cartoon characters. It is important to note that the graffiti comes and goes in waves and there can be unfortunate times when vulgarity and racist nonsense dominate the walls. Most of the time people seem to be inspired by the sacredness of the spot and most post happy images, words of peace such as quoting the book of Genesis or the lyrics to John Lennon's Imagine. There were several literary quotations citing Kafka, Ed Abbey, and Thoreau. One corner had a short spiritual verse with Spanish and English translations side by side.

The East Verde River has a series of hot springs which erupt along its course. Deep groundwater, far beneath the surface is cooked by the primal fires of the planet. The hot water needs a fault line which it can travel quickly back up to the surface of the earth before it can cool. Limestone formations like those of the Verde Valley are excellent for creating hot springs. The ruins of the old resort are the biggest and most developed but there are several other hot springs up and down the river such as Shepherd's Springs. Fossil Creek is famous for its spring. Although producing cool water, the Fossil Creek springs produce over 20,000 gallons of water a minute, over 1.2 million gallons of water an hour. The canyon goes from being bone dry to long deep pools and banks full of blackberry bushes in a matter of fifty feet. Perched atop a small cliff above the river, many hot springs revelers soak in the hot tub until they feel a little too warm and then leap into the cool river. There is a rope ladder one can use to climb up the cliff to jump back into the hot springs.

My most recent visit to Verde River Hot Springs there was one graffiti piece in the corner which was a tribute to someone who had passed away which summarized the feel of the Verde River Hot Springs Hotel ruins.

They come from the country

They come from the city

They come with no food, they come with no

And they ask "Where is the Circle K at?" They come with booze and they come with drugs

And they come with their puritan views. They come from different countries, they come

Different states. They even come with their own gurus.

They come for the beauty, they come for the serenity

They come with their axes cutting down trees They come with clothes, they come with Their religious views and they say "Oh my God,

You're a bunch of nudes." They come from afar and ask "When's the next trash pickup?"

They come as rangers, they come as cops They give out tickets for no tops

They come in their vans, they come in their cars

They come with no shoes and say

"Oh my, the hot springs are how far!?"

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The bathing pool.

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