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Mining Rocks to be held at Miami's Bullion Oct. 3

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crafts vendors, a kids area,
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by local mining companies
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Recorder announces changes to early voting ballot

FLORENCE - Recorder Virginia Ross is announcing several changes to the Pinal County Early Voting ballot materials. Voters will be mailed a yellow outer envelope containing their ballot package.

Each package will contain an early ballot, an instruction sheet and a return affidavit envelope. As always, the return envelope is postage paid by the Recorder's office. In addition, the affidavit section for the voter's signature and affirmation has been redesigned. The Recorder's Office heard from the voters that they wanted their signature hidden from view as it travels through the mail. The redesigned envelope will have a double fold over section to hide the voter's signature once signed and sealed.

The Recorder's Office is also implementing

intelligent bar code tracking and imaging from assembly to distribution. The advanced system will photograph each ballot package as it is created and will contain security measures allowing us to track the ballot to the voter's mail box. These measures will allow the office to respond quickly to voter questions regarding when the ballot was mailed and when it was delivered to their mail box.

The new system will be implemented for the November 2015 school district elections in Florence, Apache Junction, San Tan Valley and Coolidge and all elections for next year.

The Recorder would like to remind everyone to update their voter registration information as we go into the 2015-2016 Election cycle. You may view your current registration status at <https://servicearizona.com>

MINING ROCKS

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bigger than a bus, this is your chance to see if you're right with a simulator brought on site by Freeport-McMoRan.

The climbing wall and obstacle course will be open from noon to 4 p.m. and will be free for visitors. Live music by Low Expectations is offered from 2-6 p.m. and food vendors will be on hand all day, with seating for guests.

Head inside to see the art contest entries and see if you can guess how much a spool of copper wire weighs, or just how many pennies are in that jar. It's all part of the fun at Mining Rocks.

Enjoy hamburgers and hot dogs, snow cones and kettle corn just for starters. It's a great way to kick off fall with the Mining Rocks event at

Bullion. A portion of the monies raised will go to the Bullion Plaza Museum. Sponsors for the event include Platinum sponsors Freeport-McMoran, Resolution Copper, Capstone, Gila County Supervisor Mike Pastor, Copper Area News Publishers, Gold Sponsor Desert Fox Minerals, and Silver Sponsors Dream Pole Construction, KGHM-Carlota Copper Company, Southwest Gas, Supervisor John Marcanti.

Anyone interested in vendor space is invited to contact the chamber at (928) 425-4495.

Bullion Plaza Cultural Center and Museum is located at 150 N. Plaza Circle off U.S. Hwy. 60 in Miami. For more information or driving directions, please call 928-473-3700.

IT'S THE WEEKEND



San Tan Valley Farmers Market and Bazaar

Open every Saturday. For more information please call 602-684-5489. Local vendors, food, crafts, children's activities, fresh produce, fun! Located at Combs High School, 2505 E. Germann Rd., San Tan Valley.

Queen Creek Farmers Market

Every Sunday from Oct. 4- March 27 at the Queen Creek Library from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., patrons of the Queen Creek Farmers Market will have the opportunity to purchase Arizona grown fruits and vegetables while browsing goods from local vendors. There will be occasional entertainment, games (Chess, Tic-Tac-Toe, Jenga, Checkers, Cornhole, ect.) and food trucks. For more information please visit on.fb.me/1Lvn2pF.

OCTOBER



1 Florence Copper Coffee Club to Meet

Join Florence Copper on Thursdays at 10 a.m. for the weekly Coffee Club. Enjoy a hot beverage and pastry with other residents of the community as you chat about the Florence Copper Project, the future of Florence, or anything else. Coffee Club meets at the Florence Copper Community Center, located at 130 N. Main St. in Florence.

4-31 Pumpkin and Chili Party

Admission to the Schnepf Farm's Pumpkin and Chili Party is \$17 at the gate or \$15 at Fry's Food Stores. Admission Includes: Hayrides, roller coaster, swinging lady bugz, honeybee adventure, flying farmers ride, carousel rides, jumping pillows, petting zoo, country road rally, rock climbing wall, miniature golf, bonfires, marshmallow roasting, 4 acre corn maze, 10 acre celebrity corn maze, farmhouse museum, Hillbilly Bob's Pig Races, Entertainment, BMX Extreme Sports Show, Extreme Canine Dog Show. Admission does not include: Train Rides & Pony Rides, Food, Pumpkins and some crafts. For more information please visit bit.ly/1hcqpy7.

Harvest Festival at Queen Creek Olive Mill

October through December 6: 2015 Harvest Season- 2015 Queen Creek Olive Mill harvest season is here! Check out our events calendar for special events during the weekends. Olive Oil 101 Classes/Tours are at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Classes fill up fast. Please call and make a reservation for groups of 8 or more. Cost is \$5 Per person. Children under 12 are free. Please call ahead to see if they are pressing olives. Pressing times not guaranteed. Weekend events include food trucks festivals, art shows, food demos, the Pit bar and grill, games in the grove, live music, wine tastings, and more! Check out the events website for specific events during this year's Harvest Season! <http://bit.ly/1SB8N5S>

NOVEMBER

14 POWWOW comes to Farmers Market

On Saturday, Nov. 14, Produce on Wheels Without Waste will return to the San Tan Valley Farmers Market. Buy 60 pounds of produce for just \$10. And you get to pick it out! Artisan breads will also be available for purchase. The Farmers Market is located at Combs High School, 2505 E. Germann Rd., San Tan Valley. For more information please call 602-684-5489.



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STV Farmers Market to debut at new location

By Andrew Luberda
Southeast Valley Ledger

After operating for nearly 18 months at its former location on Ocotillo Road, the San Tan Valley Farmers Market is set to debut this Saturday, Oct. 3, at Combs High School, located at 2505 E. German Rd. in San Tan Valley.

“It was a good fit for our community and the farmer’s market to be able to bring an event like this to our students and families,” J.O. Combs School District representative Kelly Guerra said about the school becoming the new home for the STV Farmer’s Market. “Very affordable produce is available to them and it benefits everyone around us. We’re very excited about bringing it here.”

The Market is open each Saturday through spring from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. and twice per month, enough product permitting, is the home of Produce on Wheels Without Waste, aka POWWOW.

POWWOW allows customers to purchase up to 60 pounds of produce for just \$10.

In addition to the POWWOW visits, the market showcases several vendors each week, who sell other food items, clothing, and arts & crafts items.

“The J.O. Combs School District saved the STV Farmers Market,” said the Market’s co-organizer Carrie Ribeiro. “They welcomed us with open arms and there wasn’t any hesitation.”

For additional information and dates for POWWOW please visit www.santanvalleyfarmersmarket.com.

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COMBINED NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION ALL-MAIL BALLOT ELECTION

Coolidge Unified School District No. 21 (“CUSD”) and Florence Unified School District No. 1 (“FUSD”) will conduct ALL-MAIL BALLOT Special Elections to be held on November 3, 2015. **No polling places will be provided for these elections.**

PURPOSE OF ELECTIONS: The purpose of the elections is to permit the qualified electors of CUSD and FUSD to vote on authorizing the boundary change removing the CUSD-San Tan Valley Area (described below) from CUSD and consolidating it with FUSD. The territory proposed to be consolidated/de-attached is referred to as the “CUSD-San Tan Valley Area” with the following approximate boundary lines:
NORTH Pinal-Maricopa County Line (Empire Road)
WEST Gila River Indian Community (approximately Bell Road not including GRIC)
SOUTH Arizona Farms Road
EAST Gary Road

WHO CAN VOTE: In order to vote in these elections, you must be eighteen years of age or older, live within either school district, and be registered to vote at least 29 days prior to the elections (Arizona Revised Statutes § 16-121, as amended). You may register to vote by contacting Pinal County Voter Registration for a Voter Registration form or register on-line at the EZ Voter Registration page: <https://servicearizona.com/webapp/evoter> to complete a form electronically. Registration forms are also available at Pinal County Voter Registration located at 31 North Pinal Street, Building E, Florence, Arizona.

VOTER REGISTRATION CLOSES: October 5, 2015.

WHEN WILL BALLOTS BE MAILED: The Pinal County Elections Department will send a ballot to each registered elector approximately three weeks prior to Election Day, by first class mail.

WHERE TO RETURN BALLOT: Voters may return voted ballots to Pinal County via U.S. mail, or by dropping it off at the Pinal County Recorder’s Office, 31 North Pinal Street, Building E, Florence, Arizona 85132.

DEADLINE TO RETURN BALLOT: Returned ballots MUST be received by Pinal County by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day (November 3, 2015).

WHERE TO GET A REPLACEMENT BALLOT IF NEEDED: If voters misplace their ballot, do not receive a ballot, or spoil their ballot in any way, voters may call (520) 866-7564 or go to the Pinal County Recorder’s Office located at: 31 North Pinal Street, Building E, Florence, Arizona 85132 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **The Pinal County Elections Office located at 188 South Main Street, Coolidge, Arizona 85128 and the Pinal County Recorder’s Office located at 31 North Pinal Street, Building E, Florence, Arizona 85132 will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day only.**

IF YOU ARE NOT AT HOME DURING THE ELECTION: If voters know that they will be out of town during the election season they may notify Pinal County in writing that they wish their mail ballot to be sent to a different address. Voting materials will not be automatically forwarded to a different address from that listed on your voter registration.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: It is important for Pinal County Voter Registration and Elections Departments to have your **CURRENT** information on file. If you change your name or your residential address within Pinal County, you must re-register to vote at least 29 days prior to the election.

To Obtain Further Information, Please Contact:

Coolidge Unified School District Office

450 N. Arizona Boulevard,
Coolidge, Arizona 85128,
(520) 723-2040

Hours: Monday to Thursday 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Florence Unified School District Office

1000 S. Main Street
Florence Arizona 85132
(520) 866-3500

Hours: Monday to Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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AVISO COMBINADO DE UNA ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL ELECCIÓN DE BOLETA ENVIADA POR CORREO

El Coolidge Unified School District No. 21 (“CUSD”) y Florence Unified School District No. 1 (“FUSD”) administrarán Elecciones Especiales de BOLETA ENVIADA POR CORREO que se celebrará el 3 de noviembre de 2015. **No se proporcionarán centros de votación para estas elecciones.**

PROPOSITO DE LAS ELECCIONES: El propósito de las elecciones es de permitir a los electores capacitados de CUSD y FUSD votar sobre autorizando el cambio del límite que remueve el Área de CUSD-San Tan Valley (descrito abajo) de CUSD y consolidarlo con FUSD. El territorio propuesto a ser consolidado/separado se refiere a como el “Área de CUSD-San Tan Valley” con los siguientes aproximados límites territoriales:

NORTE – Límite del Condado Pinal-Maricopa (Empire Road)
OESTE – Comunidad de los Indios Gila River (aproximadamente Bell Road no incluye GRIC)
SUR – Arizona Farms Road
ESTE – Gary Road

QUIÉN PUEDE VOTAR: Para poder votar en estas elecciones, uno tiene que tener dieciocho años de edad o más, vivir dentro de cualquier distrito escolar, y estar inscrito para votar a lo menos de 29 días antes de las elecciones (Estatutos Revisados de Arizona 16-121, como enmendados). Uno se puede inscribir para votar al comunicarse con el Registro de Votantes del Condado Pinal para un formulario de Inscripción Como Votante o inscribise para votar en línea en la página EZ Voter Registration: <https://servicearizona.com/webapp/evoter> para completar un formulario electrónicamente. Los formularios de inscripción también están disponibles del Registro de Votantes del Condado Pinal ubicado al 31 N. Pinal Street Bldg. E, Florence, Arizona.

INSCRIPCIÓN DE VOTANTES CIERRA: 5 de octubre de 2015

¿CUÁNDO SE ENVIARÁN LAS BOLETAS POR CORREO? El Departamento de Elecciones del Condado Pinal le enviará una boleta a cada elector inscrito para votar aproximadamente tres semanas antes del Día de la Elección, por correo de primera clase.

¿A DÓNDE REGRESO LA BOLETA? Los votantes pueden regresar las boletas votadas al Condado Pinal por correo de los EE.UU., o entregarlas en la Oficina de la Registradora del Condado Pinal 31 N Pinal Street Bldg. E, Florence.

FECHA TOPE PARA REGRESAR LAS BOLETAS: Las boletas que se regresan SE TIENEN que recibir por el Condado Pinal para las 7:00 p.m. el Día de la Elección (3 de noviembre de 2015).

DÓNDE OBTENER UNA BOLETA DE REEMPLAZO SI NECESARIO: Si los votantes pierden su boleta, o no reciben una boleta, o la hecha a perder de cualquier manera, los votantes pueden llamar al 520-866-7564 o acudir a la Oficina de la Registradora del Condado Pinal ubicada al: 31 N Pinal Street Bldg. E, Florence, Arizona 85132 de las 8 a.m. a 5 p.m. **La Oficina de Elecciones del Condado Pinal ubicada al 188 S Main St, Coolidge, Arizona 85128 y la Oficina de la Registradora del Condado Pinal ubicada al 31 N Pinal Street, Bldg. E, Florence, Arizona 85132 estarán abiertas de las 6 a.m. a 7 p.m. solamente el Día de la Elección.**

SI NO ESTÁ EN CASA DURANTE LA ELECCIÓN: Si los votantes saben que van a estar ausentes del pueblo durante la temporada de la elección le pueden avisar al Condado Pinal por escrito que desean que su boleta se envíe a una dirección diferente. Los materiales de votación no se pueden hacer seguir automáticamente a una dirección diferente de la que aparece en registro como votante.

CAMBIO DE DIRECCIÓN: Es importante que el Registro de Votantes del Condado Pinal y los Departamentos de Elecciones tengan su información **ACTUAL** en sus registros. Si ha cambiado su nombre o su dirección residencial dentro del Condado Pinal, tiene que inscribirse para votar de nuevo a lo menos de 29 días antes de la elección.

Para Obtener Información Adicional, Favor de Llamar:

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450 N Arizona Boulevard
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Fire temporarily closes popular Queen Creek restaurant

By Andrew Luberd
Southeast Valley Ledger

A fire at Jim's Burros in Queen Creek has temporarily closed the long-standing restaurant, according to a Sept. 16 post on the business's Facebook page.

The post reads, "We are sorry to inform the Queen Creek Community that we are temporarily closed due to a fire. We will keep everyone updated. Thank you for your understanding."

The restaurant plans to re-open, although a date is unknown at this time.

A sign outside the establishment encourages customers to follow it on Facebook for updates.



Jim's Burros vows to reopen after fire closes them down.

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Keith King

Combs High School student set to make performance debut

By Andrew Luberda
Southeast Valley Ledger

Keith King, a sophomore at Combs High School, will perform in public for the first time at the Nile Theater in Mesa on Oct. 9 at 6 p.m.

The hip-hop/rap artist, who produces and records his own music, will be one of several acts scheduled to perform at the concert event.

For King, the opportunity to perform in front of live audience is the first step in what he hopes becomes a professional career.

"I think part of preparing for that is getting comfortable with performing (in front of an audience)," King recently told the *Ledger*. "I'm excited about performing at the Nile Theater because it's a venue that if you perform well people will remember you for it."

"If I can go there, perform well, and people really get the message I'm trying to convey it will take me a step further to where I want to be," he added.

King's interest in music and performing started in seventh grade when he was a student at J.O. Combs Middle School. Inspired by his cousin, whose own performing aspirations were progressing well, King started writing his own songs and received positive feedback from family and friends.

Then, as an eighth-grader, Keith

participated in a talent show at the middle school and received more positive feedback.

"From there I just thought it would be really cool to take the next step and try to make a career out of it," he said. "For my birthday I received the program I use to produce all of my music and started getting into that. I still show my friends all of (music) and ask what they think about it."

He self-produced a six-song CD, which he passed out to friends, hoping they would enjoy what they heard.

Somewhat surprisingly, King is not part of the Combs' band or orchestra, however, he is involved in dance at the school. He believes the performing art class can help when he is on stage, although he expects some nervousness when he makes his inaugural Nile Theater appearance.

"I'm excited for (the performance), but at the same time I have some stage-freight jitters," he admitted. "I'm going to pretend it's the school talent show. That's going to be mindset going (on stage)."

King has shown determination and focus – traits not commonly seen in younger high school students – in pursuing his dream career.

"I think it's great that Keith has a world view that is larger than this campus," said Jette Thompson, a Combs' guidance counselor. "The fact that he can harness

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New tailor shop opens in Queen Creek

By Andrew Luberda
Southeast Valley Ledger

Do you need a pair of pants hemmed? A zipper replaced? Or a favorite dress altered? If you answered yes, then you'll be pleased

to know that Queen Creek is the new home of Maria's Tailor Shop, which is located at 22632 S. Ellsworth Rd.

Maria Estevez is the co-owner and operator of the new alterations business that officially opened on Sept. 14. Estevez has been a

professional seamstress and business owner for more than 20 years. She moved to Queen Creek from Colorado Springs, Colorado in 2014, where she owned and operated her first alterations shop for more than 18 years.

"Queen Creek needed a good tailor shop," Maria answered when asked why she decided to move her business to Queen Creek. "So we came here to (open), bring in customers, make them happy, and try our (services)."

Maria enjoyed making her own clothes as a teenager and began her career in her early twenties. Now the mother of three uses her skills and talents as an expert seamstress to help customers look and feel better in casual, work, and formal clothing.

"It's been pretty good," Marian answered

when asked how the business is doing since its opening. "It's slowly picking up, but it's been good so far."

Virgil and Maria both say they opened Maria's Tailor Shop in Queen Creek because of their familiarity with the area.

"We have friends who live here and we visit them regularly," Virgil said. "We've always loved this community and just seeing this opportunity here; it just felt right."

"The fact there was a need for Maria's services was just perfecting timing," he continued. "And it fit our goals of working and living in Queen Creek."

Maria's Tailor Shop is open Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., and is closed on Sundays.



Maria's Tailor Shop is now open in Queen Creek.

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Public Notice NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Central Arizona Governments (CAG) will conduct two (2) Public Hearings to receive public comments on the 2015 DRAFT Section 208 Water Quality Management Plan. This document is an agreement between CAG, wastewater utilities, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency to implement local strategies and processes to protect water quality within the CAG region which covers all of Gila and Pinal Counties and their communities. This new plan is a user friendly document that focuses on strategies for future water quality protection and improvement.

Hearings will be held at the following dates, times, and locations:

Tuesday, November 17, 2015, 6:30-7:30PM at the Gila County Courthouse, 1400 E. Ash, Globe, Arizona, 85501

Thursday, November 19, 2015, 6:30-7:30PM at the Pinal County Courthouse, 135 N. Pinal St., Florence, Arizona, 85132

Individuals who wish to comment on this 208 DRAFT Plan are encouraged to attend the public hearings and/or to send written comments to Alan Urban, Community Development Manager, at 1075 S. Idaho Rd., Suite 300, Apache Junction, Arizona, 85119; via fax at 480-474-9306; or via e-mail at aurban@cagaz.org. Comments must be received by Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 6:00 PM.

The 208 DRAFT Plan is available for public comment. A copy of the 208 DRAFT Plan is available on the CAG website at: <http://www.cagaz.org>

A hard copy of the 208 DRAFT Plan is available for public inspection at the public libraries in these communities:

Apache Junction Casa Grande Coolidge Eloy Florence Globe Hayden Kearny Mammoth Marana Maricopa Miami Payson Queen Creek Superior San Tan Valley*

See library addresses on the CAG website at <http://www.cagaz.org>

*Location is at Central Arizona College, San Tan Campus

Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, may contact Alan Urban, Community Development Manager at 480-474-9300 or aurban@cagaz.org. Requests for copies of the 208 DRAFT Plan in an alternate format must be made at least two weeks in advance, or no later than Monday, November 2, 2015 at 6 PM.

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Queen Creek continues dominance against Higley

By Andrew Luberd
Southeast Valley Ledger

Four fourth-quarter touchdowns, including three by senior running back Gavin Danielson and a pick-six by defensive back Zach Glaess allowed the sixth-ranked Bulldogs to finally pull away from rival Higley in a 47 – 31 victory last Friday night.

It was Queen Creek's 11th win in 12 games played between the schools.

Queen Creek held several double-digit leads throughout the game only to see the Knights comeback and even take the lead on a couple of occasions in the back-and-forth contest.

The Bulldogs' performance still wasn't up to their typical standards, but was an improvement from last week and perhaps their best overall showing so far this season.

"I thought we did some good things early," head coach Travis

Schureman said after the game. "We had the field goal after the turnover on the first play of the game, but we need to score touchdowns (in that spot).

Schureman made some changes in his starting lineup, looking to spark a running game that's been among the state's best in the past, but was off to slow start before Friday night. The changes helped as the Bulldogs rushed for 185 yards in the game with Danielson leading the attack with 158 yards on 29 carries,

"We had a couple new guys on the offensive line tonight," Danielson said. "They did their job, I did mine, and we were able to pound the ball down their throats to come away with the win."

Senior quarterback Kaleb Honea, who made his third varsity start, continues to improve each week and went 12-of-15 for 174 yards with two touchdowns in the win. He threw both touchdowns to junior receiver Armon McGuire, who ended the game with seven receptions for 151 yards in addition to the two

long touchdown grabs.

"I think part of what is helping Armon is having Zane (Whiting) lineup on the other side," Schureman said. "Zane and Armon are doing a great job of catching the ball and making plays."

"(Kaleb and I) have been building on our success and getting better," McGuire added. "It starts off with running a good route and getting open. Then I just have to finish with making the catch and I did that (on Friday)."

The Bulldogs begin section play this week and with half the season just completed, they know it's time to start playing at their best each week. A sectional championship guarantees them a spot in the playoffs.

"We did a good job of getting better," Schureman said. "That's what we ask for – to get better every week. Did we play four quarters of football? No, but if we were playing our best football right now I'd be worried. We want to continue to get better every week and I think we took a step in the right direction (Friday night)."

Queen Creek travels to Marana Mountain View this Friday. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Skylar Johnson

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After having time to reflect on the accomplishment, how did it feel to come through for your team with the game-winning touchdown pass on the final play against Payson?

Initially, it was an amazing feeling. We went crazy on the sidelines. Yeah, I made the throw, but that drive, in its entirety, was hardly because of me. From the linemen to the receivers to the play-calling; everything went well. I was just put in the right spot at the right time to make the throw.

Your dad is a coach at Combs and your older brother Drew is a living legend at the school. What is the best advice you've received from each of them?

My dad has always been my go to guy about football advice. He and my mom are my number-one fans. My dad knows me so well and knows exactly what to say before, during, and after the game. My older brother Drew taught me, by example, how to balance school, family, church, friends, and sports

in an effective way. He and my oldest brother are definitely my role models.

What are you most looking forward to during your last one-plus years at Combs?

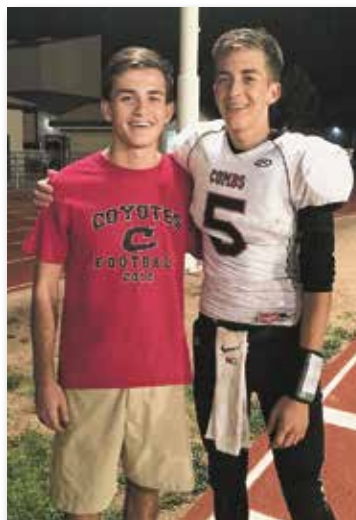
Other than being the full-time starter next year for football, I am looking forward to being one of the senior leaders on the field. I am also excited about continuing the basketball tradition at Combs with my best friend, Clayton McCarthy.

Finish this sentence: "My greatest athletic memory so far at Combs is..."

My greatest athletic memory so far at Combs is a tie between Drew's buzzer-beater in the Globe tournament championship last year and my throw to beat Payson on their homecoming. Can't beat a last second win.

What is your favorite sports movie and why?

That's a tough one, but I'm going to go with Glory Road.



Skylar Johnson

Who is one person you'd most like to meet and why?

Anu Soloman, the quarterback for the University of Arizona, would definitely be up there, but I'm going to go with the greatest college basketball scorer in the world, Jimmer Fredette.



Zane Whiting (17) falls forward after a reception against Higley.

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STUDENT

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what his skill set is, what he's interested in, and be brave enough to start pursuing it is awesome. It's what we want to see in all of our high school students."

Making it in the music industry won't be easy, something King is more than aware of. With a GPA north of 3.0, he intends to study performing arts and the technical side of the industry in college.

"Education is one of my top priorities," he said. "If I can make into a college where I can better my education on what I want to do and the technical aspect of it, the performing aspect of it, then I'll be that much better."

"If down the road the performing aspect doesn't work, I'd be just as satisfied working on the technical side of it."

Tickets for the Oct. 9 show are \$9 in advance and \$14 at the door. The 800-seat Nile Theater is located 105 W. Main Street in Mesa. The event is scheduled from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

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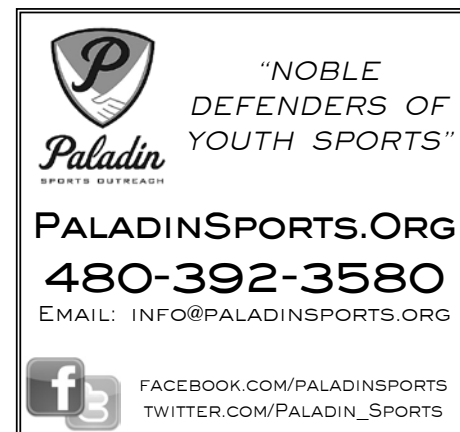
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The Bubbly Hostess Enjoys Michael David Petite Petit, Petite Sirah



During a recent visit to Atlanta, I enjoyed dinner at Seasons 52 and discovered a delicious red wine – just in time for fall. I have already made the switch from whites to reds, do you do that as seasons change?

At any rate, as part of the wine list at Seasons 52, their Master Sommelier includes a section called “Drink Them Before They’re Famous” which features up and coming wines available by the glass or the bottle.

I opted for a glass of the Michael David Petite Petit, Petite Sirah (2013) and while our server was showing us the circus-themed label, he saw me taking a photo of that section of the wine menu – I wanted to remember it! Being the fun gentleman that he was, he suggested I take a selfie with the entire bottle – so I did, you may have seen it on Facebook or Instagram!

Upon my return to Arizona, we headed up to Prescott for the weekend and while stocking up at our local Safeway, low and behold was the circus themed label! I was thrilled to find this along with reasonable price - only \$13.99 a bottle.

This wine is beautiful in color and full of flavor – an easy choice to open for a dinner party or even to enjoy by itself. While writing this post, I learned that this wine is a blend of 85% Petite Sirah and

15% Petite Verdot. I love it and am happy my server at Seasons 52 asked me to stop and take a look at the label; I hope you’ll remember this too and grab yourself a bottle to enjoy. I know I’ll be drinking this again!

Also - I love to hear feedback - please visit my blog at www.bubblyhostess.com. You can also follow The Bubbly Hostess on Facebook, Pinterest, Instagram, and Twitter.



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