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Crew, public safety remain top priority in emergency response

Arizona Fire & Medical Authority personnel responds to call next to fire station

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

On Aug. 19, at the intersection of 135th Avenue and Deer Valley Road, a truck caught fire right outside the fire station, diverting traffic in the area.

Arizona Fire & Medical Authority Station 333 crews responded to the fire that started in the bed of a truck and moved into the cab, according to AFMA Public Information Officer Kane Nixon.

Although this incident occurred directly outside of the fire station, located at 13431 W. Deer Valley Drive, Nixon said firefighters did not begin operating at the emergency scene without notifying dis-

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PORA bingo is back



Property Owners and Residents Association staff and volunteers celebrate the return of bingo. (Independent Newsmedia/Jennifer Jimenez)

Seven events from now until December

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The license is in-house, equipment is ready and dates are set. Property Owners and Residents Association bingo is back.

The first chance to play again is Sunday, Sept. 13.

Doors open at 2:30 p.m., and play starts at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, at

the R. H. Johnson Social Hall, 19803 R.H. Johnson Blvd.

Other dates throughout the rest of 2026, include Sundays, Sept. 27, Oct. 11 and 18th, Nov. 8 and 22 and Dec. 20. Participants can bring snacks.

PORA President Jim Scott said now that officials are ready to go, it is time to produce. Executive Director Rodney Bertram said bringing bingo back is something they cannot wait for.

The cost to play is \$10 for the first pack and \$5 per pack after that. According to the PORA Facebook page, the plan is to play a six way, 12 game pack, blackout game for the final game.

There also will be a Betty Boop-themed game.

Scott said the idea of bringing back bingo came after the new board was going through all the finances

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MAC-CRO-KNIT CLUB GETS A MASCOT

The Mac-Cro-Knit Club has a new baby mascot named KC. Mary Lisowski purchased KC specifically to model the many handmade baby items created by club members. KC, which is short for Knit, Crochet will help the club show off the blankets, hats, clothing and bibs made by members for babies at a Banner hospital. Mac-Cro-Knit meets from 8 to 11 a.m. every Tuesday and Thursday, in Pueblo Room three at the Kuentz Recreation Center, 14401 R.H. Johnson Blvd. New members of all skill levels are welcome. Call President Connie Ottemann at 402-499-1681. (Submitted photo/Mac-Cro-Knit Club)

HEALTH

Parkinson's disease expert presents workshop

Benevilla invites older adults, caregivers, families and community members to Aging Well: Live Empowered, a free community event from 9 a.m.-noon, Thursday, Oct. 8, at Radiant Church, 10701 W. Boswell Blvd.

Part of the program includes a presentation on understanding Parkinson's disease. Holly A. Shill, M.D., director of the Muhammad Ali Parkinson Center and Movement Disorder Program at Barrow Neurological Institute in Phoenix, will present "Where Are We in the Understanding of Parkinson's Disease?" from 10 to 11 a.m.

During the presentation, Shill will discuss risk factors associated with the development and progression of movement disorders and Parkinson's disease, early symptoms that are of-

ten overlooked, new medications and emerging therapies and exercise and lifestyle strategies that support brain health and function.

Designed to help individuals plan confidently for today and tomorrow, Aging Well: Live Empowered will bring together more than 40 trusted aging-well organizations and resources in one convenient location. Attendees can connect directly with local experts, learn about programs and services available throughout the community and gather practical information to support healthy, independent, and engaged aging.

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METAL

Metal club member leaves mark at new coffee lounge

**View the new logo at
Briarwood Country Club**

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Sun City West Metal Club Secretary Wendi Boos and member Alan Green sat inside The Briar Bean Coffee Lounge inside Briarwood Country Club, taking in the beauty of the business logo that hung on the back wall.

Boos said she wanted to make sure the club was presented alongside Green as people visited the new coffee lounge and admired the new sign.

Green and Tim 'Sarge' Raddatz, who did not attend the grand opening Aug. 19, fabricated the design with donated metal from the club.

Green said the club was approached by the owners looking to



Alan Green and Tim "Sarge" Raddatz, not pictured, helped to create this metal sign that was donated by the Sun City West Metal Club. (Submitted photo/Wendi Boss)

have a sign made. Green and Raddatz took the electronic version sent and began cutting and formatting the program. Once it was cleaned up to ensure letters did not drop out, it was cut out.

"Tim helped me and also did some of the painting and we just kept working until we got it the way they wanted," he said.

Green is leaving his mark on this new coffee shop, but said he has left a

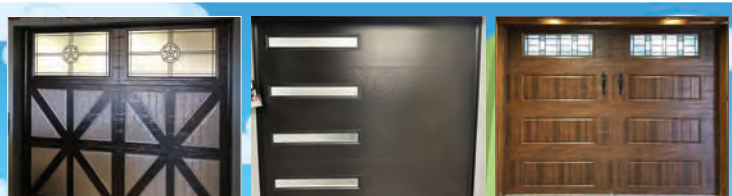
few other legacies behind throughout the community and it means a lot. Recently, he finished a large job of fence panels for a resident. Knowing that design will stand until the metal dies, which he said takes long, is great.

Green began working in the club in 2017 and came from a background of auto mechanics and county road department, so he has always enjoyed doing these types of things.

Also featured inside the coffee lounge are artists from the del Sol Gallery, 13815 W. Camino del Sol, including paintings hung on the wall near the logo. Those featured artists will rotate and community members can also have art pieces featured, according to The Briar Bean Coffee Lounge barista Alex Lundgren.

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AFMA

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patch.

"Even if crews become aware of an incident occurring directly outside their station, the captain will immediately notify dispatch that units are responding and place those resources into the emergency response system. This ensures accountability, proper coordination and allows additional resources to be sent if needed," he said.

The entire procedural process is designed to keep the public and firefighters safe no matter where the incident takes place, and Nixon said the same safety procedures apply. Firefighters follow established standard operating procedures, conduct scene size-ups, identify hazards, wear appropriate protective equipment and maintain communication with dispatch and other responding units.

The proximity of the incident to the fire station still requires the same protective gear, apparatus, equipment and operational procedures. In fact, Nixon said happening so close to a fire station does not change the high professional standards or safety measures used during response.

During this specific incident, no members of the public or firefighters were injured. While this event was occurring, AFMA Deputy Fire Chief Brad Puckett



Firefighters from the Arizona Fire & Medical Authority respond to a truck fire Wednesday, Aug. 19, at the intersection of 135th Avenue and Deer Valley Road. (Independent Newsmedia/Jennifer Jimenez)

happened to be driving by and stopped to manage traffic until additional resources arrived, according to Nixon.

According to Assistant Fire Chief Eric Kriwer, when someone calls 911, the call is routed through a regional dispatch system, which is part of the Phoenix Regional Automatic Aid System. He said using advanced technology and GPS tracking, the system automatically identifies and dispatches the closest and most appropriate available fire engine, ambulance or specialty resource, regardless of agency boundaries.

"This ensures help gets to people as quickly as possible," he stated.

If a resident comes up to a scene such as this, 911 should be called immediately to

provide accurate information, but also remain a safe distance to avoid harm. Deputy Chief Robert Olmstead said it may seem helpful to go directly to a nearby fire station, but the crew may not be there. He said they might be responding to another emergency, training or conducting inspections.

Each firefighter has an assigned responsibility for driving and positioning the apparatus or managing the equipment and Nixon said each is highly adaptable based on the needs of the incident.

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Bingo

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and went through the history.

"We wanted to understand where we came from and to get direction on where we are going," he said.

Quickly, Scott realized there was an opportunity and desire to bring back bingo to the community. He said before the pandemic, bingo was successful, and it only made sense to get it up and running again.

Scott spent time observing bingo in Sun City and began the process of look-

ing into equipment and saw the newest equipment ran around \$35,000 and in the financial position the association was in, that was not an option.

The equipment they currently have was donated, which was perfect timing for the process of getting started again, but Scott said they are going to find a rhythm and put something together the whole community will love.

Scott said eventually his goal is to run a self-sustaining production where there are multiple teams of volunteers and offer it every Sunday in 2027, but officials are struggling to find a facility every Sunday

to accommodate the plan.

PORA Director Cindy Putman stated in a press release, "Residents have expressed genuine enthusiasm about the return of bingo. Many see it as more than a game; it is a chance to reconnect, share laughter and enjoy a familiar tradition that has long been part of Sun City West's social fabric. With strong interest already building, PORA expects a vibrant turnout for opening day."

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VOLUNTEER

Senior Center volunteer gives back to the Sun Cities

**Spends four hours a week
with other seniors**

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Sun City resident Frank Hinds has been volunteering at the Banner Olive Branch Senior Center for more than two years.

His volunteer job occurs in the food pantry on site. On this particular day, his job was to ensure everyone was abiding by the rules and monitoring the types of items they can take.

Hinds volunteers one day a week from 7 to 11 a.m. and it gives him something to do and give back.

Banner Olive Branch Senior Center Director Jennifer Lawless said volunteers like Hinds are beloved by many of the individuals who visit the pantry.

“People always share stories with me and make things for us, like this hat, and it is great to see them every week,” said Hinds.

Hinds has been giving back to the community for many years and said he was connected with Lawless through her and his daughter’s friendship. She suggested he join the group and volunteer at the center, and that is really why he decided to get involved.

“I enjoy interacting with people, and I have gotten to know a lot of these folks,” he said.

The food choices include a focus on nutritional health, and the residents who pick up food can be more creative about what they choose to eat and make healthy choices right inside the pantry, Hinds explained.



Banner Olive Branch Senior Center volunteer Frank Hinds gives back to the community. (Independent Newsmedia/Jennifer Jimenez)

Eighteen years ago, his daughter was killed by a red-light-runner. Then, he started the non-profit Red Means Stop Coalition that focused on traffic, safety, education and reminding people of the consequences of running a red light.

“It was a big program for a while and I did a lot of national interviews. I went to New York and interviewed with CNN,” said Hinds.

The organization was formed in 1998 and Hinds said there was a lot of support early on, but over time it just got harder to get support with many non-profit organizations in existence.

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TRAINING

Residents, businesses train on an AED devices

AFMA Fire Corps offers the training

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Arizona Fire & Medical Authority Fire Corps offers free AED (automated external defibrillator) and chest compression training to learn basic emergency response skills for both residents and business owners.

Chris Haas, owner of Haas Medical Supply, 13576 W. Camino Del Sol, said he decided to take the class because he believes response skills are valuable for everyone, especially as a business owner in Sun City West.

“You never know when the

training could help save a life,” he said.

Haas previously took a class when this program first started, but was reminded by the newsletter put out by the Sun City West Foundation to take a refresher course.

Getting the hands-on practice and training is really critical, according to Haas, who said he thinks most people do not want to step in out of fear or hesitation.

He said having the training gives people the opportunity to know exactly what to do and assess the situation and use the AED without panic.

“People at my business and also at Helping Hands are all wanting

to take the training over the next three months,” said Haas.

Haas said having this available to residents inside the community makes it easier for everyone to receive training.

AFMA Fire Corps volunteer Michael Bannon said this program has been offered for two years. The training is for up to 15 people and no certification is provided after the class, so it can be offered for free.

Volunteer Nancy Jerosi said there are people who take the class multiple times to practice and get more comfortable with the process. She said there is no mouth-to-mouth in this training.

Bannon said anyone who signs up will attend the first portion of the class and hear the statistics and educational information on AED and chest compressions. Then, they get the opportunity to walk through the process with an AED and physically practice the compressions.

“They learn exactly what they have to do for chest compressions and run the AED,” he explained.

The next class is scheduled from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the Sun City West Foundation, 14465 W. R.H. Johnson Blvd. To reserve a seat, call Arizona Fire & Medical Administration office at 623-544-5400.

POLICE REPORTS

Editor's Note: The following information is obtained from Maricopa County Sheriff's Office District 3. This column lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons listed here who are later found not guilty are welcome to inform the Independent by calling 623-972-6101.

AUG. 7

- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 2:54 p.m. in the 11800 block of North Sun Valley Drive.
- A vehicle crash with injuries was reported at 4:13 p.m. in the 9900 block of West Santa Fe Drive.
- Narcotics were reported at 2:34 p.m. at the intersection of Michigan and 112th Avenue.
- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 12:53 p.m. at the intersection of West Bell Road and North Del Webb Boulevard.
- Threats to commit an offense were reported at 11:10 a.m. at the intersection of West Bell Road and North Del Webb Boulevard.
- A burglary was reported at 4:14 a.m. in the 13100 block of West Lariat Lane.
- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 6:44 a.m. at the intersection of North 105th Avenue and West Thunderbird Boulevard.
- Civil action was reported at 2:56 a.m. in the

11100 block of West Kolina Lane.

AUG. 8

- An assault was reported at 9:28 p.m. in the 15500 block of West Ballard Drive.
- A theft from a vehicle was reported at 5:44 p.m. in the 13200 block of West Buckskin Trail.
- A burglary was reported at 11:07 a.m. in the 12800 block of West Jadestone Drive.
- A fraud or con game was reported at 1:30 p.m. in the 11000 block of West Coggins Drive.
- A burglary from a vehicle was reported at 8:45 a.m. in the 10600 block of West Tropicana Circle.
- Criminal damage was reported at 3:20 a.m. at the intersection of North 111th Avenue and West Jersey Avenue.

AUG. 9

- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 9:46 p.m. in the 11600 block of West Olive Avenue.
- Shoplifting was reported at 9:31 p.m. in the 10600 block of Northwest US60 Grand Avenue.
- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 12:22 p.m. in the 14800 block of West Deer Valley Drive.
- A theft from a vehicle was reported at 11:03

a.m. in the 16300 block of North 115th Avenue.

- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 7:14 a.m. at the intersection of North 107th Avenue and West Augusta Drive.
- Criminal damage was reported at 6:33 a.m. in the 10300 block of West Manzanita Drive.

AUG. 10

- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 9:26 p.m. at the intersection of North 105th Avenue and West Peoria Avenue.
- Narcotics were reported at 4:35 p.m. in the 13000 block of North 103rd Avenue.
- A vehicle crash with unknown injuries was reported at 4:42 p.m. at the intersection of West Bell Road and North Boswell Boulevard.
- A theft was reported at 11:11 a.m. in the 10000 block of West Royal Oak Road.
- A fraud or con game was reported at 9:30 a.m. in the 13200 block of North 108th Avenue.
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- A fraud or con game was reported at 9:30 a.m. in the 13200 block of North 108th Avenue.

AUG. 11

- A burglary was reported at 7:05 p.m. in the 18800 block of North 99th Drive.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported at 4:30

p.m. at the intersection of 99th Avenue and Willow Creek Circle.

- A theft was reported at 1:02 p.m. in the 13800 block of West Sandridge Drive.
- Criminal damage was reported at 9:11 a.m. in the 10900 block of West Coggins Drive.
- Criminal damage was reported at 6:28 a.m. in the 21800 block of West Harding Avenue.

AUG. 12

- Suspicious activity was reported at 2:49 p.m. in the 18100 block of West Carol Avenue.
- A fraud or con game was reported at 2:55 p.m. in the 11000 block of West Thunderbird Boulevard.
- Forgery was reported at 2:04 p.m. in the 14500 block of West Granite Valley Drive.
- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 9:27 a.m. at the intersection of North R.H. Johnson Boulevard and North Spanish Garden Drive.
- A vehicle crash with no injury was reported at 9:24 a.m. at the intersection of North 99th Avenue and West Palmeras Drive.
- Trespassing was reported at 4:02 a.m. in the 10500 block of West Coggins Drive.



CLUB GATHERS FOR ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Rip 'N' Sew's monthly social recently dished up ice cream to more than 20 members of the Sun City West club. There was orange sherbet plus ice cream choices of vanilla, chocolate and more. Fruit toppings, flavored syrups, whipped topping and nuts allowed members to adorn their homemade sundaes. The club's co-presidents, Angie Claudon and Eva Weisberg, sponsored the event. (Submitted photo/ Gary Reynolds)

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Reader questions rec centers' golf revenues explanation

In this latest example of "let's hope the residents don't notice" financial reporting, the unaudited 6/30/26 end of year financial statements indicate glaring deviations from the budget. Residents really should take notice.

Golf fees (a revenue item) for the 12 months came in at \$10,931,208, \$405,240 less than budgeted. With average revenue per round at roughly \$30 each, we somehow missed out on quite a few thousand rounds of golf.

The rec centers' only explanation: Extreme temps in March, April and June negatively impacted non-member golf rounds. I find this odd given June's golf fees actually beat the budget by \$4,742 and were favorable to prior year by \$19,012.

A review of each month's golf fees for the entire fiscal year, one by one, is all over the place, from a one-month deficit of \$233,905 to a one-month surplus of \$85,824. Are our budgeting efforts that unpredictable?

Let's look at some simple facts.

For the month of March, the average daily temperature for just one week was above expectations, but for the entire month the average was 78.8 degrees. Average temperature in April was a normal 77.6 degrees and for the month of June 2026, the average temperature was 96.0 degrees, about 5% above normal.

That may be warm for some people but by then the community is populated almost entirely with us Firebirds, to whom 96 degrees means we can finally take off our coats and gloves.

There is certainly nothing ex-

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treme about any of those averages. Blaming temperatures is a really poor excuse for budgeting for far more rounds and revenue than should have been expected. Why do they have to blame warm weather? Why not just admit the truth?

Frank Bagnato
SUN CITY WEST

Why Republican candidates won't get my vote Nov. 3

The Republican Party wants to cut taxes even more for corporations, use our taxes to house and care for thousands of immigrants whose only crime was to come here to get away from gangs, cartels and tyrant dictators, imprison our immigrant population without giving them a chance to go to court to defend themselves, and to use our taxes to pay for weapons to bomb Iran instead of helping Ukraine.

Our current Republican-led government is also more friendly with dictators like North Korea and Russia than Democratic leaders like England or Canada. Our current Republican Congress let our Republican president destroy free trade agreements and slam tariffs on even our allies that in my opinion are destroying our economy.

We were finally pulling out of COVID-caused inflation under our Democratic leaders just like our Democratic leaders have pulled us out of every other Republican-led economic disaster. Think the Great

Recession and the Depression before that.

So, I don't care how wonderful a candidate sounds this upcoming election. If they are Republican, they will not get my vote.

Lorie Lux
SUN CITY WEST

One vote doesn't make Abe Hamadeh a model of integrity

In her letter, Kudos to Rep. Hamadeh for supporting stop insider trading act, Nikki Colletti praises Rep. Abe Hamadeh for "putting principle first" and demonstrating "real public service."

Hamadeh deserves credit for voting to restrict congressional stock trading. So do the other 231 House members who voted for the bill. But one bipartisan vote hardly establishes exceptional integrity.

Colletti contrasts Hamadeh with politicians who "sell out to the highest bidder." Yet Federal Election Commission records show his campaign received \$269,960 from political committees, including corporate and special-interest PACs, from January 2025 through July 1, 2026.

Boeing's PAC gave Hamadeh \$5,500 in 2025. Hamadeh sits on the House Armed Services Committee, helping shape defense policy and authorization. The contribution is legal and proves no quid pro quo, but voters have every right to scrutinize money from industries with enormous stakes in congressional decisions.

Hamadeh's campaign has also received money from CVS Health's PAC. CVS owns Caremark, which recently settled an FTC case alleg-

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LEGION



Members of the American Legion Post 94 in Sun City West. (Independent Newsmedia/Jennifer Jimenez)

Legion Post 94 has a new commander in place

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

After five years, Mary Ellen Pitrowski Legion Post 94 has a new commander.

The new commander is Jim Andrews, who previously served as the first vice commander, which included the job of membership.

Andrews met previous Cmdr. Jack Coyle on an honor flight and he was recruited to join Post 94.

"Jack has always found innovative ways to keep things going, and I agreed I would be the commander if he would maintain the honor guard," said Andrews.

Andrews is going into this fifth year as a member of Post 94 and said in this new role, he understands it will be impossible to fill Coyle's shoes. Right now he is feeling things out and has spent the past three months as the commander.

Andrews recently attended the American Legion College and learned a lot about what is involved with the Legion.

"Now, I have to put what I learned into practice, and it takes all of us to keep this going," he explained.

Andrews said there are currently about 370 members involved with

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Post 94, and the goal is to build the membership. Andrews wants all veterans to know they can join Post 94 if they are looking for something to do or get out of the house for a few hours.

"We are here for you," he said.

Public relations officer Rudy Grom said the post website gives access to the calendar and the veterans events that are happening throughout the West Valley. Upcoming events include monthly membership meetings at 10 a.m. the first Thursday of the month, at the Sun City West Foundation Quail Room, 14435 W. R.H. Johnson Blvd.

The next fundraiser is set for the fall pancake breakfast from 7 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, at the Sun City West Foundation.

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News in Brief

Clay club beginning classes lead to more opportunity

The Sun City West Clay Club offers a beginning hand-building class for those who are new to clay or ready to grow their skills. No experience needed.

The required beginning hand-building class teaches the foundational techniques that open the door to everything offered by the club: hand-building, wheel throwing, sculpture, coiling, carving and Raku glazing. Once members have mastered hand-building, they will be eligible for the beginning throwing class, where cups, bowls, vases, plates, and more take shape on the wheel.

Membership is open to RCSCW cardholders in good standing. While a waiting list is currently in place, the club encourages residents to add their name now for a future spot. Details are available at scwclayclub.com/application.

The club is located in the Beardsley Recreation Center and is open 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday, Friday and Saturday, as well as 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday.

Visit scwclayclub.com for more information

Model railroad clubs still running indoors

Although the Sun City West Model Railroad Club's outdoor "G" scale trains at Beardsley Park will remain dormant until October, the "HO" and "N" scale trains are running in air-conditioned comfort at the R. H. Johnson club room, 9 a.m.-noon every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Visitors are welcome, as are new

members. The club supplies everything needed or member can bring their own equipment. Dues are \$30 a year to join, includes badge, and \$20 a year thereafter. Call 623-544-6148.

Sun City church slates deed fraud presentation

Faith Presbyterian Church, 16000 N. Del Webb Blvd., will host a presentation on "Deed Fraud – How Stealing Your Home Happens & How to Prevent It" 10-11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 10.

Leslie Hoffman, director of recording services for Maricopa County, will explain how deed fraud happens, warning signs homeowners should be aware of and steps property owners can take to help protect themselves and their homes.

The program is part of Thoughtful Thursdays – Information from Trusted Experts, a series of educational programs for the community.

The program is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. For reservations or more information, contact Joanna Conde at 602-908-5889.

Sun Health offers dementia support group

Sun Health Wellness is offering a dementia caregiver support group in the West Valley.

This group, which meets 3-4 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 2 and 16 and Oct. 7 and 21, at Grandview Terrace Health & Rehab, 14505 W. Granite Valley Drive, brings together residents to share experiences, gain practical strategies, access resources and connect with others who understand this journey. Visit sunhealthwellness.org or call 623-471-9355.



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POLITICS



Ryan Caracciolo, Jim Scott and John Crowe. (Submitted photos/Art Goes)

Republican club slates meeting, speakers

The Sun City West Republican Club will meet Saturday, Sept. 12, at Church on the Green, 19051 R.H. Johnson Blvd.

Doors open at 8 a.m., social time is at 8:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts available and the meeting starts at 9 a.m. Paid-up members are admitted without a donation; \$3 will be accepted at the door from non-members, which helps to pay for the room rental.

September featured speakers will include: John Crowe, candidate for

Maricopa County Community College board member at large; Ryan Caracciolo, candidate for Maricopa County Community College Board, District 4; Jolynn Herber, candidate for County Special Health Care Board, District 4; and Jim Scott, PORA board president.

All Republicans and Independents from the Sun Cities and surrounding areas are welcome to attend.

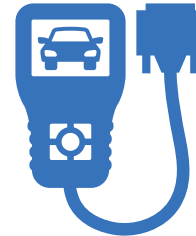
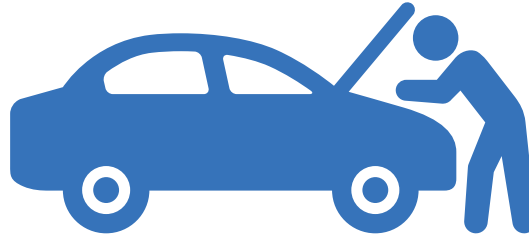
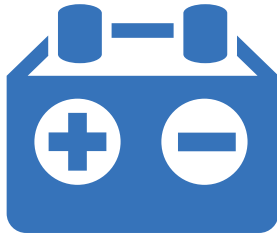
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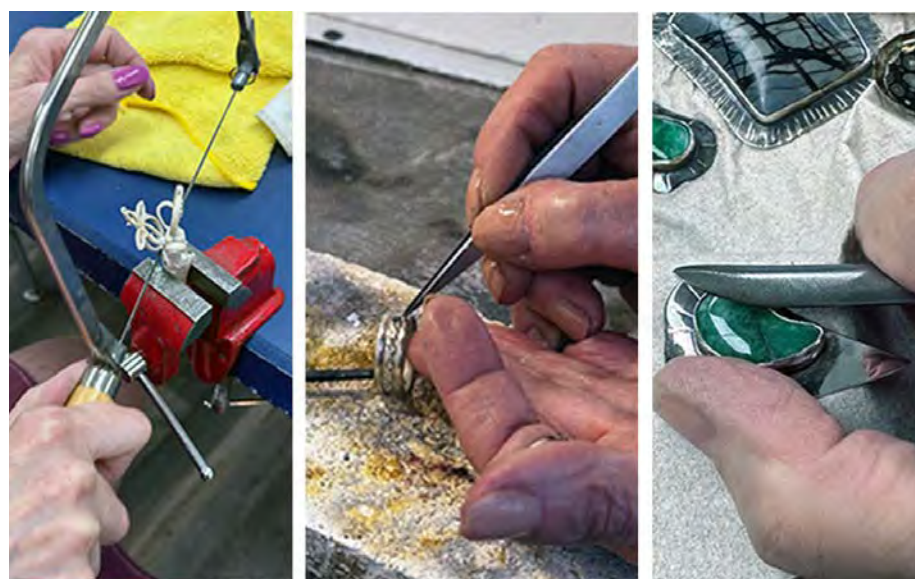










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Semifinalists will be invited to sing in the final competition at Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church, 13658 W. Meeker Blvd., Sept. 26. A professional accompanist is provided.

Full details are available at westvalleychoraleaz.org/west-valley-young-singers-competition.

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Instructor Judi Mecham holds up her Christmas themed wiper card while fellow SPAM members work on their cards. (Submitted photo/Christina Hecht)

Unique greeting cards taught at club

It may not rain much in Arizona, but that didn't stop members of Sun City West's Scrapbooking, Papercrafts & More club from learning how to make a moving "window wiper" card during a recent workshop.

The card, taught by Judi Mecham, is comprised of multiple connected stacked layers and when the card is opened several window wiper-like mechanisms magically pop-out sideways from between the layers to reveal images related to occasion.

Mecham's sample card was designed for Christmas and upon opening revealed a smiling Santa, snowman and reindeer peeking from behind the card's many layers.

SPAM meets in the Beardsley center's Agave Room on Wednesdays (4-9 p.m.), Thursdays (9 a.m.-3 p.m.), Fridays (9 a.m.-3 p.m.) and Saturdays (9 a.m.-5 p.m.). Call Sandy Cryer, club president, at 623-640-9387, visit scrapbooking.scw-clubs.com or email scrapbook@scw.com.

CLUB NOTES UPCOMING CLASSES, OPEN HOUSE



The Artistic Hand Lettering, Cards & Mixed Media Club is offering Introduction to Calligraphy classes 11 a.m.-noon Fridays, Oct. 16, 23, 30 and Nov. 6. Cost is \$40, payable only by check directly to instructor Char Cash and all participants must be prior registered to ensure we have materials for all. To register stop by the club during regular hours or contact Debby Fradette at djfradette@gmail.com. The club's annual open house is 1-4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 2, and Gelli printing is 6-8 p.m. the second and third Wednesday of the month. The club meets 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday and Friday and 6-9 p.m. Wednesday in the Kuentz center's Pueblo

Room. Call Dottie Schmit (602-758-9854) or Kat McGinnis (480-806-8053), visit artisticandlettering.scwclubs.com or email ahlcandmm@gmail.com for more information. Club membership is \$10 annually. (Submitted photo/Melanie Harrison)



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COMMUNITY

Lesko shares work with the Sun Cities

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Supervisor Debbie Lesko represents Maricopa County Board of Supervisors District Four and recently visited the Sun City West Posse.

She credited the importance of having a viable posse and presented Posse Cmdr. Carolyn Patterson with a certificate of recognition. Patterson said having Lesko there to answer questions and made available to posse volunteers was important.

One of her focuses included educating residents on the role of the supervisors.

Lesko explained she unexpectedly started a career in politics at her kids' school.

She now represents 960,000

people in the West Valley, which is more than she served as a member of the United States Congress, where she represented 800,000.

"There are five of us, and the most important thing we do is setting up the budget for all things Maricopa County does," she said.

This includes services and also sets the property tax rate amount Maricopa County charges. Then, 11% of the property tax goes to Maricopa County. Lesko said if the budget increases, taxes will go up and five years in a row now Lesko said Maricopa County supervisors have voted to decrease property tax rates on the 11%.

She said this is something she has always been cognizant of and understands people need more money in

their pockets, and that is a big thing the supervisors do.

In unincorporated areas like the Sun Cities, the supervisors are in charge of the roads and also vote on planning and zoning issues. Additionally, she said the county takes care of flood control and animal control.

"One big thing people are interested in is the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railway along Grand Ave. The part the supervisors have to vote on is the warehouses," said Lesko.

She added the company wants to build huge distribution warehouses. She said BNSF itself has projected adding 22,000 cars per day on Grand Avenue. To do that and support the amount of traffic, there would need to

be additional lanes going both ways. She said the road is already at capacity and contains too much traffic.

"Of course, that costs a lot of money adding another lane and the state does not have money to do it," said Lesko.

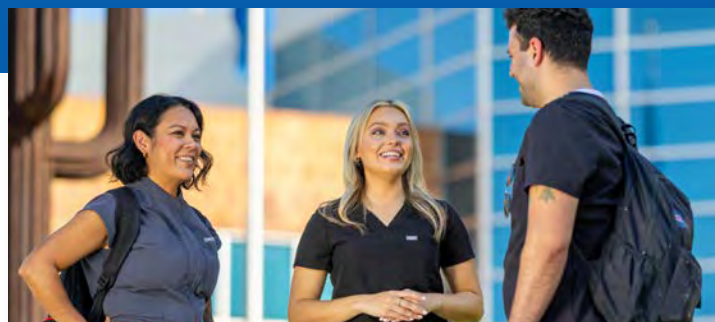
She said BNSF keeps coming to her and is not giving up, hiring lobbyists and people she knows from the past, but she says the same problem remains that 22,000 vehicles per day will go in and out on Grand Avenue.

Lesko said Maricopa is also involved in air quality control and she said businesses coming in such as TSMC have to show before they get a permit how they are going to offset emissions to maintain the air quality. Call 602-506-7642 to connect with Lesko.



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Letters

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ing anticompetitive practices that artificially inflated insulin list prices.

When corporations with major interests in federal health policy help finance congressional campaigns, voters should pay attention.

Then there is judgment. Just two days before this vote, Hamadeh publicly opposed extraditing Andrew and Tristan Tate to Britain. The brothers face serious charges, including rape and sex-trafficking allegations.

They deny wrongdoing and deserve due process.

Hamadeh's decision to intervene on their behalf is also relevant when assessing claims about his character and judgment.

Give Hamadeh credit for one good vote. Just don't turn it into a character reference.

Public service is a record, not a

press release.

Anne Whitmore
SUN CITY WEST

This writer is using a pen name.

Why is Hamadeh calling out Hobbs when he won't debate?

Arizona Congressional District 8 Rep. Abe Hamadeh sure likes to throw stones at glass houses, but runs away afterward. He called out Gov. Katie Hobbs for not debating his fellow House Republican gubernatorial candidate, Andy Biggs, while Hamadeh running away from CD 8 opponent Bernadette Greene-Placentia's debate challenge.

It would be one thing if Rep Hamadeh would meet with the constituents in his district, but has failed to do so for nearly two years. This, from an elected official who should be running for CD 1, the district he actually resides in.

He fails at hearing our issues, because he doesn't understand them.



CERAMICS COME ALIVE

Ceramic West Club members Laura Olson, Marie Schools, Maria Hermona-Dolan and Julie Tierney discovered a translucent class can truly make a ceramic piece come alive. Instructor Nancy Hren, not pictured, provided instructions and individual attention. Club hours are 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, 4-8 p.m. Thursday and 8 a.m.-noon Saturday. Call 623-546-0975 for upcoming class schedules. (Submitted photo/BK Pritchett)

How could he if he doesn't live amongst us?

It's time for our representatives to represent us, not the lobbyists and deep pockets of D.C. It's also time for the state and local Democratic parties to spend money on races that can make a difference, rather than protecting safe districts.

We need to elect a representative that lives in the district they represent, and one that understands our issues. That person is Bernadette Greene-Placentia. She has and will

walk a mile in our shoes, not in the shoes of someone who hopes can advance his career, as Rep. Hamadeh does.

The West Valley has been overlooked for too long. That stops Nov. 3.

Bill Eikost
GLENDALE

Bernadette Greene-Placentia is seeking to unseat incumbent Abe Hamadeh in CD 8, which includes parts of Glendale, Peoria, north Phoenix, Sun City, Sun City West and Surprise.



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MUSIC



Winners from the recent West Valley Country Music Association's Members Choice Awards include, clockwise from top left, Ken Wolffer, Lu Anne Camp, Bea Graves and Odie Piker, and Dan McCorison. (Photos provided by West Valley Country Music Association)

Calling all songwriters: West Valley accepting entries

The West Valley Country Music Association's ninth annual songwriters contest is underway.

The competition is designed to encourage and promote local aspiring songwriting talent. Contestants will retain all rights and ownership to their songs.

Entry deadline is Friday, Sept. 25.

All song submissions will be screened using a matrix scoring system by a selected listening group who are music professionals or who have

been music professionals. The top 15 songwriters will be invited to perform their songs at the Association's Songwriters Showcase at the Glendale Library auditorium, 5959 W. Brown St., where three different music professionals will judge for the top three.

The winners will receive cash prizes and more.

Contact Lu Anne Camp at wvc-ma66@gmail.com or text 623-556-6071 for more information or to request an entry form.

POLITICS

Northwest Valley Democrats to host Sun Cities meeting

Discussion of labor union developments will take center stage at the next Northwest Valley Democrats monthly meeting Wednesday, Sept. 9, at the Sun City West Foundation Building, 14465 R.H. Johnson Blvd. Doors open at 6 p.m.

The club will welcome Maxwell Ulin, attorney for Unite Here, Local 11, who will present on "Plan 2028," a multi-union strategy designed to amplify worker power, coordinate bold economic demands and build a unified labor front across industries, according to the Northwest Valley Democrats.

As a civil rights and workers' rights attorney, Ulin represents more than 32,000 hotel and food

service workers across Arizona and Southern California at workplaces including ASU, Desert Diamond Arena and Sheraton Phoenix Downtown. Before earning his law degree from Harvard Law School, he worked as an outreach worker for farmworker legal aid and organized workers in northern Mexico, helping unionize auto-parts and textile industries.

A resident of north Phoenix, Ulin serves on the LD2 Democratic Committee and is the third vice chair of the Maricopa County Democratic Party.

To RSVP go to the "Events" tab at northwestvalleydemocrat.com. This meeting is open to the public.

Nebraska Club prepares to return

The Nebraska Club will host its welcome back dinner 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, in the Foundation building's Grand Canyon room, 14465 W. R.H. Johnson Blvd.

The club's November event is an "Almost Thanksgiving Dinner" 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, also in the Foundation building Grand Canyon room.

There are two weekly breakfast outings, which are a time to meet fellow Nebraskans and learn more about each other. These take place 7 a.m. Saturdays year-round at Tivoli Gardens, 12555 W. Bell Road.

Every Tuesday, starting later this fall, the Nebraska men get together at the Hole in One Restaurant, 13573 W. Camino Del Sol.

Visit nebraskaclubsuncities.org for more details about these and other club activities.



CLUB OFFERS BEGINNING CLASSES

The Fused Glass and Enameling Club offers small beginning classes twice a month to allow new members personal interaction with instructors. Located in the Beardsley center, club hours are 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. Call 623-544-6532 or 702-278-0955 for more information. (Submitted photo/Deborah Daly)

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AUTHOR

Resident publishes new book

Sun City resident Dr. Jeanne Blanchet, an author and lecturer, recently published her twenty-third book: "The Monk Who Wrestled with God."

In it, she invites readers into the world of Martin Luther—a man torn between devotion, doubt and a destiny he never sought. With the vivid immediacy of lived experience, this novel follows Luther through the triumphs, trials and soul-searching questions that shaped a revolution. The novel offers readers a journey into the heart of a German monk/priest who dared to challenge both himself and the world.

This work of historical fiction is suitable for preteen and high school readers as well as adults. Published by Outskirts Press, it is available in both paperback and e-book formats on Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and in bookstores.

Local book signings will be held in the near future.



Dr. Jeanne Blanchet (Submitted photo/Jeanne Blanchet)



AUGUST ACES

Echo Mesa Women's Golf August aces are Carolyn Lopez, gross 76, and Janet Eriksson, net 48. (Submitted photos/RoseAnn Wishner)

CLUBS



With their kaleidoscope quilts are, from left, Rose Waldon, Melissa VanDyken, teacher Sue Steffan and Natalie Blackshear. (Submitted photo/Gary Reynolds)

Club creates kaleidoscope quilts

Sue Steffan recently finished teaching a five-week kaleidoscope quilt class at Rip 'N' Sew.

The vocabulary, including strata, wedge and butts, is relatively easy to learn. After the long sides of fabric strips are sewn together, this newly made fabric is further cut and sewn to create strata, which produce the kaleidoscope effect. Wedge and butts form the edges of the quilt.

Melissa VanDyken, an experienced quilter, took Steffan's class.

"The project itself was very sim-

ple," VanDyken said.

Sewing a straight seam is a basic skill, she said, but if someone has never cut out or sewn on the bias or cut and sewn a triangular piece, they can stretch the cut pieces, the seam or both.

That's why it's best to have done traditional quilt sewing, she said.

"Sue Steffan told us to choose fabrics that would pop," VanDyken said.

She and the other students did, producing eye-popping quilts.

This kind of quilt was designed by Ricky Tims.

Banner Olive Branch Senior Center offers meals, pantry service

Banner Olive Branch Senior Center, 13049 N. 103rd Ave., offers in dining, to-go meals and food pantry services. The food pantry available at no cost 7-11 a.m. Tuesday-Thursday. The center staff recommends a suggested donation of \$5 (\$5 fee for under 60).

Lunch is served at 11 a.m. at no cost for anyone over 60. Breakfast is served 6:30-8:30 a.m. Monday-Friday. Cost is \$5 for breakfast and is open to all. To-go meals are now available daily for \$5/meal and are open to all. To-go meal distribution is 11 a.m.-noon Monday-Friday. The center also offers benefits reviews and informa-

tion and referral services as well as many activities. Call 623-465-6000.

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- Wednesday, Sept. 2 - Pork stuffed peppers, Scandinavian mix vegetables, broccoli, roll, peaches
- Thursday, Sept. 3 - Pot roast, carrots, collard greens, brown rice, pear
- Friday, Sept. 4 - Egg salad sandwich, raisin salad, sliced cucumber, strawberries
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MUSIC

Music brings new life to Sun City church

By Zev Black

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Faith Presbyterian Church, 16000 N. Del Webb Blvd., is looking for more ways to expand beyond just a place of worship. Part of that initiative can be seen with the introduction of Musicality Music Academy, a school at the church founded by music director Rory Dowse.

Dowse, from Northern Ireland, first started playing piano when he was two. He said he grew up watching Barry Douglas and was greatly inspired by him.

"We're particularly proud of him because we're a population of two million people," Dowse said. "He was this guy who was just reaching all the way around the world, so he was a great inspiration."

He has since studied the instrument at Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester, England, and

the Royal Irish Academy of Music in Dublin, Ireland. He has been teaching piano for the past 20 years.

Dowse said music has a special place in the world.

"It heals their soul," he said. "It's such a special, special thing. It's a story-telling element where words fail, that's when music takes over."

The church's pastor, Greg Emery, furthered this sentiment, adding that music transcends age, race and background.

That idea is part of the reason why he wants the church to become more than just a place where people can attend services.

"We're on a quest to share this campus with the community," Emery said. "Churches that were designed to just be used on Sundays or maybe Wednesday nights is not a great use of assets. What Rory is doing is trying to engage people across

the age range and music is one thing that we all have in common."

Dowse said he was inspired by one of his instructors in Dublin.

"It was just the way he thought, the way he was," Dowse said. "Storytelling was everything at the instrument for him. I noticed a conspicuous lack of value for that whenever I was studying in England. It was much more technique and doing big things."

He added he thought this was impressive but that musicians have somewhat lost the storytelling and spiritual aspect of music. He wanted to build an academy specifically around the idea that sharing stories through music that can bring people together.

Attendees of the class will learn music created from the 1500s to today in classes capped at six people. One-on-one lessons are also avail-

able, but Dowse said he liked the group sessions because it gives this a social aspect.

Those looking to join do not need any prior music experience.

"What I think is really special about this school in particular is it's designed not only for the musicality aspect, but for people here over 55 specifically but also catering to the younger ones as well," Dowse said. "We've got a very specific niche that we're looking into."

For more information about Dowse, go to rorydowse.com/about-rory.

For more information about the school, go to musicalitymusicacademy.com.

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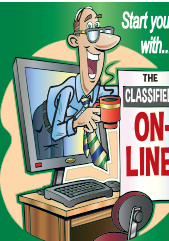
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