



Things to do

Dancers to perform at Independent Expo; **4**



INDEPENDENT

Crime

MCSO links 15 Sun City car break-ins; **9**



September 9, 2026 Volume 66 Issue 36 Your Nonpartisan Community Newspaper • YourValley.net

Posse honors members who make a difference

By Zev Black

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Sun City Posse held its monthly meeting Sept. 1 at its headquarters, 10861 W. Sunland Drive, giving procedural updates, providing August statistics and recognizing members.

Posse Cmdr. Arlene Kluizenaar kicked off the meeting by announcing the group's hydration station is remaining at its headquarters through September.

"I know this week is going to be a little bit cooler. However, we always think there is that second wind of summer to come through before fall really comes," Kluizenaar said.

She added there is a fridge in the headquarters' lobby that has electrolytes, which residents can put in their water for maximum hydration.

Each year, the summer heat drives many Sun City residents

• See **Posse** on page 5

'We became the United States' Sun City veterans remember 9/11



Elks members Bill Hudson, Tony Torres, Jose Cordero-Torres and Bill Matthews. (Independent Newsmedia/Zev Black)

By Zev Black

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

On the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, current Sun City resident, veteran and Elks Lodge No. 2559 member Jose Cordero-Torres was more than 2,500 miles away from New York City, working as a port director in Lukeville, on the Mexican-American border. Then orders came in to close the border, inspect every vehicle one-by-one and make sure nobody could enter the country

to do more harm.

Cordero-Torres, who spent 28 years in the Marines, thought another infiltrator could find their way into the country. Cars were backed up for miles and it took two days to clear the line.

"It was a very bad experience and there was nothing we could do," he said. "We were so far away but we did the best we could. We tried to ensure that nobody came in the United States to attack. That was

our reaction."

Fellow Elk Bill Matthews, who spent 20 years in the Air Force, believes the United States essentially allowed the attack to happen by not being vigilant. Some of the hijackers trained in the country, including one in the Phoenix metro area.

Though he was angry and no longer enlisted in the military, Matthews was ready to go to war.

• See **9/11** on page 5

We Will Never Forget

WE REMEMBER. WE HONOR.
UNITED THEN • UNITED NOW



PRSR STD
US POSTAGE
PAID
Phoenix, Arizona
Permit No. 1424

*****ECRWSSEDDM
Postal Customer

Imagine your home, totally organized!

Custom Closets, Garage Cabinets,
Home Offices, Laundries, Pantries,
Wall Beds, Hobby Rooms and more!

40% off
Plus
Free Installation

**PLUSTAKE
AN EXTRA 15% off**

Terms and Conditions: 40% off any order of \$1000 or more or 30% off any order of \$700-\$1000 on any complete unit order of custom closet, garage, or home office, and any other products. Take an additional 15% off on any complete unit order. Not valid with any other offer. Free installation with any unit order of \$850 or more. With incoming order, at time of purchase only. Offer not valid in all regions. Expires 9/30/26.

**SPECIAL FINANCING
FOR 18 MONTHS!**

With approved credit. Call or ask your Designer for details.
Not available in all areas.



Call for a free in home design consultation and estimate

480-764-2884 **IN**

[closetsbydesign.com](https://www.closetsbydesign.com)

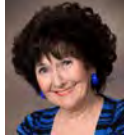


Locally Owned and Operated. Licensed and Insured: ROC312904

 **ClosetsbyDesign®**



LOCAL, Family-owned, Independent Broker
Celebrating 30+ Years in Business
800-SUN-CITY (786-2489)



Diane Antonacci
602-677-6757
dianeantonacci@gmail.com



Connie Byrne
623-414-1765
connieb@awardrealty.com



Michael Criscuolo
623-810-5957
michaelcriscuolo@yahoo.com



Jack Cutteli
602-882-8146
jackc@awardrealty.com



Nicole Furuta
610-420-6988
nicole.furuta@aol.com



Tom Halder
623-466-4607
tomhalder@awardrealty.com



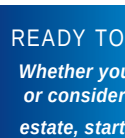
Alan Potts
602-826-1050
pottsfamilyrealestate@gmail.com



Tami Sieberg
602-670-8264
tami@youragentaz.com



Phil & Cathy Wilder
623-203-1442
philwilder53@gmail.com



Chris Williams
623-826-2665
chris@youragentaz.com



READY TO MAKE A MOVE?
Whether you're buying, selling,
or considering a career in real
estate, start with Award Realty.
BUY • SELL • JOIN

www.awardrealty.com

BIG O TIRES



\$50 - \$100 INSTANT SAVINGS*

ON SELECT, IN-STOCK TIRES WITH INSTALLATION PURCHASE.
VALID 9/1/2026 - 9/20/2026

HANKOOK

COOPERTIRES

PIRELLI

\$100 IN REBATE SAVINGS**

On your purchase of \$599 or more
when you use your Big O Tires®
and Service Credit Card
Valid 7/6/2026 - 10/11/2026

*\$100 instant savings on in-stock sets of four select Cooper, Hankook, Pirelli P Zero, or Pirelli Scorpion tires. Excludes Pirelli Scorpion All Season 4 and Scorpion XTM and Cooper Endeavor and Endeavor Plus tires. \$80 instant savings on in-stock sets of four Cooper Endeavor and Endeavor Plus tires. \$50 instant savings on in-stock sets of four all other Pirelli tires. Installation charges extra; required on all four tires. Disposal fees and shop fees extra where permitted. See store for pricing. Eligibility may vary. Not valid with other offers. At participating locations. No cash value. Valid 9/1/2026 - 9/20/2026. **Valid one time only. Cannot be combined with other offers. Duplicate offers will not be accepted. Maximum of \$100. Minimum purchase required to redeem. See offer for full terms and conditions. Rebate Fulfillment Details: Prepaid cards are generally accepted, not available for recurring payments, expiration dates apply, fees apply to Mastercard®, use restrictions. Customer must apply for mail in rebate. See rebate form for terms and conditions. Valid 7/6/2026 - 10/11/2026.

LOCAL SHUTTLE SERVICE TO AND FROM HOME

\$24⁹⁵

**SUPER SAVER
OIL CHANGE**

Up To 5 Quarts Semi-Synthetic Oil

\$59⁹⁵

**FULL SYNTHETIC
OIL CHANGE**

Up To 5 Quarts Full Synthetic Oil

LUBE CHASSIS* • REPLACE FILTER • 22 POINT INSPECTION

Supply chain disruptions may affect availability and price points of some oil products specifically 0w20; Excludes diesels and Euro oil weights additional. Valid at participating locations • Extra charge for trucks & larger SUVs • Most cars and light trucks • Shop supplies additional. Plus up to \$6 disposal fee • Excludes Diesels • *Lube chassis where applicable • Not valid with other offers • No cash value. See store for details • Charge for additional service/parts, if needed • Expires 10-15-26 • SUN-926

BIG O TIRES



BEAT THE HEAT!

\$19⁹⁵

Plus Freon,
Evac & Recharge

**A/C PERFORMANCE
CHECK**

We'll thoroughly inspect your compressor,
belts, hoses, pressure and temperature.

FREON, EVAC AND RECHARGE EXTRA • Most cars & light trucks
Shop supplies additional • With coupon • Not valid with any other offer
Charge for additional service/parts, if needed • Expires 10-15-26 • SUN-926

BIG O TIRES

TOTAL AUTO CARE

**Engine & Electrical Diagnostic
(Eng Light On)
Brakes • Alignments
Suspension & Steering
Batteries • Faulty Windows
All Routine Maintenance**

**WE SELL
AND INSTALL
GOLF TIRES**

SUN CITY • 17039 BOSWELL BLVD • 623-974-5701

Tread designs may vary on all tires shown. Prices subject to change. State or local taxes or surcharges for environmental protection will be an extra charge.

Late Summer Savings!

\$75 Water Heater Flush

Local area only. Call for more details.
Must mention coupon. Act now! Offer expires 9/30/2026

FREE Service Call

with \$250 repair or new product purchase
Local area only.
Must mention coupon. Act now! Offer expires 9/30/2026



Cool Off. Don't Overheat.

\$75 FREE A/C Inspection Second Opinions on HVAC Systems

Additional cost for inspecting
commercial property. Must mention
applicable coupon. Act now!
Offer expires 9/30/2026

Must mention applicable coupon.
Act now! Offer expires 9/30/2026

SUNLAND

**PLUMBING & CONSTRUCTION
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING**

**SCHEDULE AN
APPOINTMENT**
0% Financing Program
for Qualified Buyers

623-933-4170

www.sunlandpc.com

BONDED • ROC #186320 • 155284 • 243189 • INSURED



DANCE

Razzle Dazzle Dancers to present 'Wicked Good' at Independent Senior Expo



Razzle Dazzle Dancer Rachel Hughes, Deborah Wheeler, Tommie Sebring, Krista Loetscher, Becky Johnston, Annemarie Mahoney and Janet Wood. (Submitted photo/Deborah Wheeler)

The stage is set for a celebration of dance, music and theatrical magic with the Razzle Dazzle Dancers at the next Sun City Independent Senior Expo Wednesday, Sept. 23, at the Sundial Recreation Center, 14801 N 103rd Ave.

The dancers will take the stage at 11:15 a.m. with their newest production, "Wicked Good!"

The performance will include a medley of numbers from the Broadway shows "Wicked," "Rocky Horror Picture Show" and "Little Shop of Horrors," as well as some international choreography.

This show kicks off the new dance season with many more performances to follow across the West Valley.

For more information on the Razzle Dazzle Dancers or to attend a dance class at the Banner Olive Branch Senior Center, email razzledazzledancersaz@gmail.com.

The 9 a.m.-noon Sept. 23 Expo features a selection of products and services, essential health screenings, local and national vendors, free giveaways, door prize drawings and more.

Call 888-665-3848 or email AZADS@iniusa.org for sponsorship information.

We'll give you a reason to smile!

FREE Sonicare toothbrush for all patients who schedule in the month of September and October

FREE 2ND OPINIONS & IMPLANT CONSULTATIONS



Wildflower
Dental

WildflowerDentalaz.com

Office Hours: M-Th 7:00am - 5:30pm
18818 N. 99th Ave., Sun City, AZ 85373



SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY!
(623) 815-0512

During and after the COVID-19 pandemic, Wildflower Dental is committed to providing the safest and best care to our clients.

**\$149 NEW PATIENT EXAM,
X-RAYS AND CLEANING**
(\$450 Value)

OR

**\$99 EMERGENCY EXAM
& X-RAYS (\$150 Value)**
**A PROBLEM FOCUSED EXAM
& X-RAYS OF ONE AREA**

Cannot be combined with other offers or insurance. Offers valid for new uninsured patients only.



**FREE
Second Opinion**

**Must have previous
office treatment plan
to honor special**

This price cannot be combined with other offers or insurance. Insured patients can decide to use their insurance or this coupon. Please call for details.



**We take 99%
of Insurances
Including Medicare
Advantage plans**

**We have a great
in office discount
plans and financing
for uninsured
patients**

INDEPENDENT

Get In Touch by phone or email

17220 N. Boswell Blvd., Ste. 230, Sun City AZ 85373

888-665-3848

• SunCityAZIndependent
• YourValley.net

Advertising
azads@iniusa.org

Press releases
aznews@iniusa.org

Opinions with Civility
azopinions@iniusa.org

Staff

Jeremy Carr
Editor
Zev Black, Jennifer Jimenez
Reporters
Frank Dias, Conlan Dignan, Greg Garcia, Ann Kampmeyer, Debbie Kelly, Lisa Norman, Makenna Sinatra
Advertising Consultants
Patrick O'Grady
Editor-in-Chief
Erik Maurer, Mona Lisa Navarrette, Erica Odello, Chris Pitts, Chris Williams
Advertising Designers
Barb Wandling
VP of Advertising
Terri Rodgers
Director of Circulation
Natasha Beal
Marketing & Brand Manager
Charlene Bisson
President & CEO

YourValley.net

This publication is offered free of charge in an effort to keep our neighbors informed, as well as to support the local business owners who make up our community. Please support their business. Every effort is made to avoid errors, misspellings and omissions. If an error comes to your attention, please accept our sincere apologies and notify us.

This newspaper is recyclable, biodegradable and contains recycled materials. Copyright 2026. All rights reserved. No part of this publication can be printed or reproduced without the publication's permission. Independent Newsmedia Inc., USA, assumes no responsibility for unsolicited material.

Posse

• From page 1

away from the Valley, and this summer was no different. However, according to stats presented by Lt. Fay Moore, some residents appear to be making their way back to the community.

The Posse performed 2,961 vacation watches, which Moore said is starting to go down.

On top of that, the group did 3,329 drive-bys, made 26 welfare and missing persons checks and had nine trespass encounters.

"Everybody's very busy and working hard," Moore said. "I thank you for everything."

Nothing the Posse does would be possible without its 125 active members, and two of those members were recognized with the Make-A-Difference Award.

Doyle Hood received the award because, after a resident's car battery died



Posse member Bob Cable and Cmdr. Arlene Kluizenaar. (Independent Newsmedia/Zev Black)

during the scorching heat, she called the Posse and came to her rescue, jumping the car and following the resident to the mechanic to ensure everything was okay.

"Going the extra mile for someone in need is one of the hallmarks of the Sun City Posse," said 1st Lt. and Posse Executive Officer Don Erlitz. "He is deserving of the Make-A-Difference Award."

9/11

• From page 1

"I told my wife that I can't fit in my uniform, but dammit if I had a uniform," he said. "Just because my enlistment was over doesn't mean we still won't defend the country... Call it military training, call it military upbringing or whatever. We were ready."

Bill Hudson, who spent six years in the Army, and Emilio "Tony" Torres, 10 years in the Marines, echoed that sentiment. They believe they had a different reaction because they served in the military.

Matthews went on to say anyone who enlisted in the military has a duty to follow orders to defend their country.

Cordero-Torres said when he arrived back on American soil after the Vietnam War, he was spat on and called terrible names. He felt as though he wasn't appreciated for anything he did.

Hudson believes the actions of 9/11 shifted the narrative for veterans in the United States.

"The new generation who would've been after that, this transition could not have happened without them," he said. "I think they made the transition... the newer generations seem to have picked up that service is service."

Cordero-Torres added he loves when people, especially younger generations, thank him for his service as he was just following orders to keep his country safe and secure.

All four veterans believe the sense of Americanism post-9/11 was extremely strong, especially the days and weeks following the attack.

"Everybody just came together," Hudson said. "That's the best way to put it. Everybody was helping... the day after was a day of unity."

"We became the United States," Cordero-Torres added.

Hudson said the men and women who volunteered to go to war after 9/11 were "very brave."

"I think they saw what the country was and needed," he said. "They recognized

Bob Cable received his award because of his hard work at the Posse headquarters. He goes above and beyond by making sure everything is in order, keeping the fridges full of water and checking all the doors.

"Bob is there doing all kinds of things for us just to make sure that we are safe and we are comfortable in this building," Kluizenaar said. "Bob is here to jump in when something needs to be done, when someone needs sudden fill-in."

Cable, who has been with the Posse for nearly ten years, said it's "uplifting" to be acknowledged with this award.

"You're recognized for something that you do that's positive for the Posse," he said. "I don't want to sit at home and do nothing. I'd rather come out here and do something for the community which helps us all and helps me."

The next general meeting is 9 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, at the Posse headquarters. To learn more about the group, go to suncityposse.org.

the country needed that."

"They enlisted because they knew what they could be," Cordero-Torres said. "They enlisted because they wanted to defend the United States. We gathered a hell of a goddamn momentum after that. Instead of waiting for a big draft, people were volunteering."

Matthews believes Americans need something to bring everyone together, saying 9/11 did that, albeit in a tragic way. He added that sticking together is important because an attack like that could happen again.

"We may think we're holier than thou," he said. "We're the greatest, nobody can touch us? Yeah they can. They can touch us and they can touch us quick. We have to get away from that. We've got to learn we are vulnerable. We can be attacked. We were attacked."

The Sun City Elks will hold a ceremony 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at its lodge, 10760 W. Union Hills Drive, for members to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the attacks.

HOME SOLAR**EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR****APS 14% RATE INCREASE EXPECTED.**

**THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 17TH
10:00AM–12:00PM**

**LOCATED AT:
SUN CITY WEST FOUNDATION
PALO VERDE ROOM
14465 W RH JOHNSON BLVD, SCW**

The optimal time to acquire comprehensive knowledge about solar energy and batteries is not around your kitchen table, but rather in a structured educational setting such as a classroom.



Understand the implications of data centers on the APS electrical supply chain in Maricopa county, where demands from over 50 approved data centers and the existing population will exceed grid



This class is strictly educational absolutely no selling of any kind. The same class that was presented in pora and the Maricopa Community College System.



Existing solar system owners who have not yet integrated the Tesla Powerwall 3 whole home battery backup, attend this seminar to gain comprehensive knowledge about the system.

**THE WAIT IS OVER
IT'S TIME TO LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD**

Call To Reserve Your Seats. 480-522-6278

MUSIC**Ukulele Club honors member**

The Sun City Ukulele Club recently bestowed a rare lifetime membership to Gerald "Buck" Burns.

The club fosters a community built on respect, friendship and the joy of making music together at any skill level. According to club member Jim Walker, Burns epitomizes these characteristics.

Walker added that Burns is extremely active in the club. He participates in the club's performances, which are voluntary. The club also has open mics, where club members can perform for each other. Burns usually performs a comic song, which he often has written himself.

Burns and his wife, Marilyn, purchased their first home in Sun City in 2005 and were "snowbirds" from Colorado. They are now full-time residents.

A member of the club from its inception, he is proud of the changes he has seen over the years.

"It is a great club and is getting better," Burns said, "Wonderful music, approval, friendship and fellowship... (it is a) very satisfying club to be a member of."

The club, which offers free ukulele lessons on the first and third Thursdays of the month, November through May, is open to all RCSC card holders regardless of musical skills.

Learn more about the Sun City Ukulele Club by attending one of its orientation sessions 1:30–2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, and Oct. 22, at the



Club member Gerald "Buck" Burns. (Submitted photo/Jim Walker)

Fairway Recreation Center, 10600 W. Peoria Ave.

Visit suncityukuleleclub.com or contact club president Trudy Bryson at 470-278-3780 or trudybryson@cox.net.

Church to hosts foot health presentation

Desert Garden United Church of Christ, 18818 N. 128th Ave., hosts a Sun Health presentation on foot health issues 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 14, in Fellowship Hall. This talk, from a Sun Health representative, will include things to watch out for an things individuals should do to maintain healthy feel. The event is open to everyone and will feature free treats.

Plenty of
miles left.



Roger isn't the sit-around type.

If something needs doing, he does it.
The car. The yard. The list that never quite ends.
His teeth were the one thing he kept putting off.
Not because he didn't care.
Life moved fast.
Dental work kept getting pushed.
Eventually, his smile stopped keeping up.
When he was ready, he didn't want a sales pitch.
He wanted straight answers.
Someone who knows their craft.

That's when he found Dr. Jerry Burns.
No runaround. No oversell.
Just exceptional work from a team Burns built himself.
His smile looks good again. Feels like his again.
He'd heard about Burns before. Now he knows why.
You only get one ride. Make the miles count.

Ready to get treated right? Call (602) 691-6412.



Sink your teeth into life.™



GOOD NIGHT SUN CITY, AND GOOD MORNING

Ronald Marcin submitted this photo of a full blood moon from last month, while Sharon Simon sent this picture of a sunrise over the Lakes East Golf Course. (Submitted photos)

SUN HEALTH PRESENTS

A Day with *Matt Paxton*

America's #1
Downsizing Expert



Author of
Keep the Memories, Lose the Stuff

What if letting go felt freeing *instead of overwhelming?*

Join **Matt Paxton**—renowned host of TV shows *HOARDERS*, *Legacy List*, and *Filthy Fortunes*—for an energizing, practical and inspiring presentation designed to help you take control of your space and your future.

You'll learn how to:

- Let go of excess without losing what matters most
- Navigate the emotional side of downsizing with confidence
- Simplify your home—and create clarity for what's next
- Turn transitions into opportunities for growth

Whether you're preparing for a move or simply ready for a fresh start, you'll leave with a new mindset and actionable next steps.

Connect with residents and hear real stories of downsizing with success.



Space is limited!
Reserve your seat today.

 **Thursday, October 22**
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

 **Freedom Plaza**
13373 N. Plaza Del Rio Blvd.
Peoria, AZ 85381

 **RSVP: (623) 876-2415**

CRIME

MCSO links 15 Sun City car break-ins, has no leads

By Zev Black
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Sgt. John Jensen provided an update on a string of car break-ins that took place Aug. 28 in Sun City, saying he linked all 15 reported incidents in MCSO's record management system.

Jensen, who spoke during the Sun City Posse monthly meeting Sept. 1, said people were throwing rocks at cars during the night. Most of the incidents happened between Union Hills Drive and Thunderbird Road, along with Del Webb Boulevard.

"Obviously they were trying to use major thoroughfares for getaway points and not going too far into the Sun City residences to do these acts," Jensen said.

He added the department doesn't have any leads at the moment.

"We don't have a license plate to run off of," he said. "We don't have anything that points us in a specific direction. All the reports that I've reviewed, a vast majority of them either didn't have any kind of video, didn't have any witnesses or, if there was video like somebody had a Ring door camera, it didn't capture the incident or didn't even activate."



(Independent Newsmedia/Jennifer Jimenez)

One Ring camera did capture what the department believes to be a "dark-colored SUV," according to Jensen.

Posse Cmdr. Arlene Kluizenaar said the group is aware of the situation and is in contact with MCSO about it.

"We as a Posse are talking about it, we're looking about it, we're seeing what we can do," she said. "Talk to all of your neighbors. Find out if anything else has happened. And file a report. Get in touch with MCSO because MCSO needs all of that information. They need to know the addresses. They need to know the approximate times. And if there are videos available, they are sometimes really important."

To report a tip to MCSO, call 602-876-8477.

They're more than just your "favorite,"
They're a
COMMUNITY FAVORITE!



**Vote for your favorite business in our
SUN CITY FAVORITES
Readers' Choice Awards**

Voting Sept. 1 – 30, 2026

BROUGHT TO
YOU BY **INDEPENDENT
NEWSMEDIA**
Celebrating & Connecting Our Communities
YourValley.net



RULES:

- You may vote once per day, per household, per IP address
- The "View Results" button will not work.
- No new businesses or categories will be added once voting begins

DANA · WHITING · LAW

PROBATE & TRUST ATTORNEYS

Thousands of Trusts Created • Licensed Attorneys in Arizona, Colorado, California, Nevada and Utah.



Matt Dana
Attorney, CPA and LLM
(Masters in Taxation)
41 Years of Experience

- **FREE Consult** - Out of State Trusts
- Establishing a New Trust
- Probate / Trust Administration

Call Today to set up an appointment!
928-271-8450

12455 W Bell Rd, Surprise, AZ 85378 • DanaWhitingLaw.com

OPINION

Take the Civility Pledge

Yes, I will do my part to help my community become a safe place for people to engage in civil discourse about public issues. Visit iniusa.org/civility-pledge/ to take the pledge.

Your Opinion

Our opinions page is to provide an open forum for our readers. We hope to stimulate debate, not to dominate or control it. We reserve the right to edit our opinions, and we insist on civility. Please include your name and phone number, so we can contact you for clarification or confirmation. We welcome your photo. All opinions must be no more than 300 words.

Those that are judged as personal attacks or complaints about neighbors, businesses or other opinion writers will not be considered. No person may submit more than two opinions for publication during a calendar month. Two submissions in the same issue will not be published. The content of a submission is the responsibility of the person who submitted it.

Speak Up

We support the use of pen names. Too many people don't speak up because they fear intimidation or even danger to their families and/or careers. Pen names are an important part of our nation's history.

Corrections

We will promptly correct all factual errors. We offer a "right of reply" to the people about whom we write. Readers who disagree with a news story are welcome to respond with a letter.



Dan Kellams (Submitted photo/Kellams family)

9/11 memory: A cloud of fear over New York City

As I neared my office building, I saw a group of men watching an enormous plume of smoke billow up from what I thought was a building in flames a few blocks away. When I reached the office, I learned that two airplanes had hit the twin towers of the World Trade Center, five miles south of us.

We stayed inside all day — my wife, her 10 employees and I — watching developments on our computers and a small television set. I fielded some messages from friends asking if we were safe. The great cloud of smoke and ash continued to fill the sky and began to drift over Brooklyn.

Bridges were closed; public transportation shut down. In the streets below us, thousands of people silently marched north, hoping to reach home or get out of the city. I don't remember our conversations as we sat trapped in the office. Maybe we felt lucky: my wife had an appointment that morning not far from the twin towers but had stopped in her office before heading down there. That's when the first plane struck.

When public transportation resumed, we all felt safe to go home. It was a two-mile walk to our apartment. It was growing dark. Cars filled the

LETTERS

streets, barely crawling bumper-to-bumper. Yet no horns blared. No drivers screamed at one another. The city, normally roaring, was eerily silent.

That night I was awakened by an explosion. Then another. I squirmed out of bed and listened. Another boom. I called, "Wake up, Elaine, they're bombing the bridge!"

Then I realized it was thunder. Only thunder.

All over New York, people woke up that night realizing they had a new thing to fear.

Dan Kellams
SUN CITY

9/11 memory: A canceled meeting saved lives

I was scheduled to visit the Pentagon on the morning of Sept. 11, 2001. I learned the day before that my meeting was canceled. I decided to remain in Colorado Springs.

If I had visited the Pentagon that morning, I likely would have accompanied a Navy captain to the entrance of the Navy Command Center. A meeting was planned in the Command Center. Tragically, that is roughly where the terrorist attack on the Pentagon occurred.

Fortunately, a glitch came up in scheduling and the Navy captain did not visit the Navy Command Center. To this day, I am unsure if that meeting ever occurred.

Steve Grogan
SUN CITY

9/11 memory: Navy veteran found her life's purpose

In September 2001, I had just begun my U.S. Navy sailor journey and was celebrating my one-year active-duty anniversary with Fighter Squadron VFA-37 at NAS Oceana

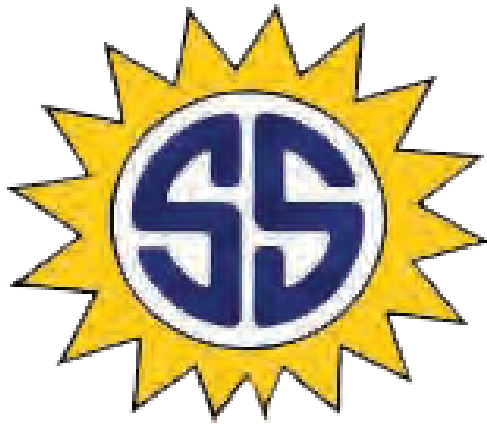


Cassandra N. Johnson's boot camp photo. (Submitted photo/Johnson family)

in Virginia Beach. I had just received temporary orders to the base galley — a welcome break from my usual plane captain duties. After recovering from a brief illness, I was scheduled to check in on the morning of Sept. 11. I arrived early, but realized I had forgotten my medical paperwork. My supervisor sent me back to the barracks to retrieve it.

During that short walk, everything changed. I entered the lobby of my barracks to the sound of sailors yelling. Upstairs, the chaos intensified as people poured into the hallways. I rushed into my room and turned on the television just as the world shifted. Time stopped. Watching the aftermath in shock and disbelief, my eyes searched the screen for police officers, firefighters and survivors. I desperately wanted to hear sirens and help with the rescues, like I was physically in New York City. Instead, my supervisor called with a directive that broke my heart: "Stay in your room and fully recover. You can help from the sidelines." As I sat there helpless, I thought of the D.A.R.E. officers, firefighters and neighbors who shaped my youth. I realized then that sometimes you

• See **Letters** on page 15



SUNSHINE SERVICE

♥ *Making life easier since 1962!* ♥

LENDING FREE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TO SUN CITY RESIDENTS

Your Donations help us continue our mission ♥



**Vote for Sunshine
Service daily thru
September 30th.**

Your Favorite Sun City Non-Profit
Organization & Mobility Store

***VOTE NOW
at yourvalley.net!***

623-974-2561 • www.sunshineservice.org

Taste of the Town

Discover Inchin's Bamboo Garden's bold Asian fusion



Photo courtesy of Inchin's Bamboo Garden.

Inchin's Bamboo Garden brings together the bold flavors of India, China and Southeast Asia under one roof, creating a dining experience that offers something a little different with every visit. Located at 18255 N. 83rd Ave., Suite B113 in Glendale, the restaurant blends traditional recipes with modern interpretations and an extensive menu designed for sharing and exploring.

The concept has its roots in Indo-Chinese cuisine, which developed from Chinese communities in India and combines Chinese cooking techniques with local ingredients and bold flavors. That influence can be seen throughout Inchin's menu, from wok-tossed noodles and fried rice to flavorful sauces, momos and other Indo-Chinese favorites. The restaurant also offers comforting Indian classics prepared "the Inchin's way," including butter chicken, naan, biryani and a variety of curries.

For those who like to sample a little of everything, the menu provides plenty of choices. Starters include options such as lotus root chips, crispy chili potatoes, fusion tacos and other shareable dishes. Diners can also choose from familiar favorites including dumplings, momos and pot stickers, while soups range from classic hot and sour soup to tom yum. The Chinese selections include noodles, fried rice and wok-prepared dishes, while the Indian side of the menu brings together curries, biryani and other traditional favorites.

The restaurant's fusion approach continues with its drinks. Specialty selections include **Far East Move-mint**, **Dragon's Milk**, **Hazy Temple**, **Bombay Misbehavior** and **Blushing Geisha**, offering guests a fun complement to the bold flavors coming from the kitchen. For those looking for something without alcohol, the mocktail selections include **Masala Soda**, **Aam Panna** and **Mango Lassi**.

Vegetarian diners will also find plenty to explore, with numerous meat-free choices throughout the menu. The broad selection makes Inchin's a particularly easy choice for groups, allowing everyone at the table to order something different. One guest might choose an Indian entrée while another goes for Hakka noodles, fried rice, momos or a Chinese favorite.

The Glendale restaurant offers a casual, welcoming setting for everything from a quick lunch to a family meal, celebration or dinner with friends. The restaurant also accommodates larger gatherings with customizable selections spanning Indo-Chinese, Chinese, Indian, Thai, Malaysian and Singaporean cuisine.

There is also a special weekend celebration coming up at the Glendale location. Inchin's Bamboo Garden is celebrating with several dine-in-only offers from **Friday, Sept. 11 through Sunday, Sept. 13.** On **Friday, Sept. 11**, guests can enjoy a **\$5 lunch from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** On **Friday evening from 5–10 p.m. and all day Saturday, Sept. 12**, guests can **roll the dice for 10%–50% off**, with every table receiving a chance to save. On **Sunday, Sept. 13**, the **restaurant is offering 25% off all day.**

The celebration gives diners another reason to explore the menu and discover what makes Inchin's approach to Asian fusion unique. Whether the choice is a plate of Hakka noodles, paneer makhani, momos, butter chicken or one of the restaurant's specialty drinks, the experience is built around bringing different flavors and culinary traditions together.

Inchin's Bamboo Garden is located at **18255 N. 83rd Ave., Suite B113, Glendale**, and reservations are available. The restaurant can be reached at **480-508-0773**.

bamboo-gardens.com

HAPPY HOUR 3PM - 5PM

jai thai 

PRIVATE ROOM AVAILABLE, SEATS 35 PEOPLE

15% OFF
With Coupon. One Coupon Per Table.
(Not For Delivery)

MON - SAT 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM
CLOSED SUNDAY

9803 W Bell Road, Sun City, AZ 85351
480-635-4801




Daily news at your fingertips

Sign up for your newsletter


at YourValley.net

Let's Eat! 

Sun City Meals on Wheels will do the cooking 

Two healthy meals delivered daily
Your choice of days, even holidays

Food allergy? Diabetic? Special diets?
No problem!

To start your nutritious meals
Call Sun City Meals on Wheels office
623-974-9430
Monday-Friday 9:00am-1:00pm
NEW VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS WELCOME

Follow our website at www.suncitymealsonwheels.org
Sun City Meals on Wheels is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization. Our EIN is 86-6090080.
We are a Qualifying Charitable Organization (QCO) with the State of Arizona QCO#22862



 **Royal Cafe**
"Just Great...Like Always"

BREAKFAST SERVED ALL DAY
Open Everyday 7 am-7 pm

See our ads and menu on Facebook @royalcafe.az



Dine-In or Take-Out

MONDAY 9/14		TUESDAY 9/15		WEDNESDAY 9/9	
Baked Fish with 3 sides \$8.99 (plus tax)	Beef Tips over noodles with soup or salad \$10.00 (plus tax)	Chicken Enchiladas with rice and beans \$9.99 (plus tax)		Spaghetti ONLY \$7.99 (plus tax)	Chicken Fried Steak with 2 sides \$9.99 (plus tax)
THURSDAY 9/10		FRIDAY 9/11		SATURDAY 9/12	
Lasagna with soup or salad \$12.99 (plus tax)		2-Piece Fish Fry with fries and coleslaw \$9.99 (plus tax)		BBQ Ribs with 3 sides \$13.50 (plus tax)	
				SUNDAY 9/13	
				Turkey Dinner with mashed potatoes, green beans & stuffing \$9.99 (plus tax)	

10793 WEST GRAND AVENUE • SUN CITY • 623-875-0676



Joey the plumber,
Mark the plumber,
and the purification guys –

**70+ Years Combined
Experience Servicing
Sun City & Sun City West
Valley Wide**



SPECIAL

\$59*

**For Any Reverse
Osmosis Filter Change.**

* Present coupon at time of service to receive discount.
Filter is not included. Expires September 30, 2026.



**24/7
WATER CONDITIONING
& PLUMBING**

247plumbingaz.com

20+ Years of Trenchless Plumbing Expertise

SPECIAL

\$500 OFF*

**Trenchless Pipe Lining
or Pipe Bursting**

* Present coupon at time of service to receive discount.
Expires September 30, 2026.

**Repair underground sewer lines
without tearing up your yard.**

Free Same-Day Estimates | Senior Discounts | 24/7 Emergency Service

Licensed & Insured:
#216423 ROC R37R

623.322.2230




**ALL
NEW!
ARRIVING NOW!
BE ONE OF THE FIRST TO RIDE!**



AVAILABLE NOW IN
CHAMPAGNE • PEARL WHITE
DEEP CRIMSON



**A NEW STANDARD.
A BETTER RIDE.**

- ✓ STYLISH. MODERN. BUILT TO LAST.
- ✓ SMOOTH RIDE & QUIET POWER
- ✓ PERFECT FOR NEIGHBORHOODS,
RESORTS & ADVENTURES
- ✓ QUALITY YOU CAN COUNT ON

MODEL C4

\$9,795

LIMITED TIME INTRODUCTORY PRICE!

GET IN EARLY - QUANTITIES WON'T LAST!

623.974.4584

13525 W Camino Del Sol Sun
City West, AZ 85375
WWW.GCSUPERSTORE.COM



**GOLF CAR
SUPERSTORE**

BUSINESS

Scooter shop celebrates one year of business

By Zev Black
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

When Bill and Amy Kremer first opened Pinnacle Mobility Scooters in the Kings Inn Shopping Center, at 10659 W. Grand Ave., Suite 9, they hoped to help people find the right equipment to stay mobile. A year later, they say the relationships they've built with customers have become just as important as the scooters they sell.

"It's been a year of really positive experiences with people," Bill said. "We've made some great relationships with folk."

Since opening Aug. 29, 2025, the Kremers have watched their business grow from 1,300 square feet to 3,100, they've brought in new machines and plan to introduce lift chairs and loved working with each other.

But they say the people who walk through their doors are what made the first year so "fulfilling."

"It was the most fulfilling year of my professional life," Bill said. "The amount of tears that we see from the positive impact we have on people's lives is really incredible."

Amy said she wanted to open the shop because of her own family.

"Seeing how our families that are aging or have mobility issues have been treated or have been overlooked," she said. "My mom is 80 and she has mobility issues and other things. When we go to appointments, I'm often advocating for her. Yes, they're in the medical field. Yes, they're doing their job. But they're also very dismissive and I don't like that."

That is just another reason why



Bill and Amy Kremer. (Independent Newsmedia/Zev Black)

Amy believes a great relationship with their clients is important. She said people will come into the store just to hang out, adding the community has been very welcoming.

"Not only do we want to make our money financially by selling equipment," Bill said. "We also want to take care of people when they have purchased equipment, help them get the longest possible life out of it."

He added he loves answering any question a client may have about the machine to ensure they know everything they need to maximize the lifespan of their scooter.

Bill said he would make sure people in the community end up with the right equipment to best suit their mobility needs than make the sale.

"I would rather them not buy equipment from us than buy the wrong thing because you're not going to be happy with it," he said. "It's not going to serve a purpose. The worst piece of equipment you can buy is one that's the wrong thing because you're not going to use it."

To learn more about Pinnacle Mobility Scooters, go to wekeepyoumoving.com.

Letters

• From page 10

must take care of yourself so you can effectively care for others.

That tragic day deeply affected me physically, mentally and emotionally, but it also brought absolute clarity to my life's purpose. Twenty-five years later, now living in Arizona as a veteran, that purpose remains unchanged. Ironically, my post-military life has come full circle: I continue to serve my community every day as a leader, working directly alongside the very same types of heroic first responders who inspired me on 9/11.

Cassandra N. Johnson
EL MIRAGE

9/11 memory: In a mountain of images, two stood out

My shift as assistant city editor at a Southern California daily was 2-11 p.m., but I headed in around 8:30 that Tuesday after hearing my best friend



North tower antenna mast and newspaper front pages were part of the now-closed Newseum's 9/11 exhibit. (Submitted photo/Kelly O'Sullivan)

frantically yelling over my answering machine, "Wake up, Kelly! Wake up! Planes are crashing and buildings are falling!"

Confused, I ran to the TV to find the twin towers were gone, the Pen-

tagon was in flames, and Todd Beam-er had already uttered those iconic words, "Let's roll," before he and other passengers stormed United Flight 93's cockpit, saving countless lives as they ended their own in a desolate field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

The newsroom was humming. My city editor asked me to print and tape wire images to a wall so we could choose what to use in an 8-page wrap for the Sept. 12 edition.

The images from New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C., were overwhelming, and more kept coming as the nation and the world reacted to the attacks.

They're mostly a blur now, except for White House photographer Eric Draper's shot of the moment Pres. Bush, sitting in a classroom full of Florida second-graders, learned a second plane hit the World Trade Center, and "The Falling Man" by AP's Richard Drew.

Both are sharp in my mind, and it

**Please send your comments to
AzOpinions@iniusa.org.**

We are committed to publishing a wide variety of reader opinions, as long as they meet our Civility Guidelines.

bothers me we don't know the Falling Man's identity. We didn't use either image that day, but they're in a Sept. 16 special section we produced, which also included a selection of front pages from across the country.

In 2011, I visited the Newseum in Washington, D.C., and felt immense sadness as I stood in front of the north tower's mangled antenna mast displayed against a backdrop of 127 front pages from around the world.

I hope we never forget who and what we lost that day.

Kelly O'Sullivan
SUN CITY

*The author is Independent
Newsmedia opinions coordinator.*

Almeida Roofing Inc.

All Types of Roofing

602-743-3175

FREE Roof Inspections

www.almeidaroofting.com

FREE Estimates • Licensed • Bonded • Insured • ROC #215758

**Get
Monsoon-Ready.
Call Us!**



YOUR SUN CITY REAL ESTATE TEAM

Kurt N Lisa

Realty One Group



- 30 Plus Years of Real Estate Expertise
- We Offer Professional advise on staging, repairs & Pricing
- Targeted marketing, Photography & Video to ensure your listing stands out
- We are here to guide you through the selling or purchasing process ensuring smooth & successful transactions
- Find us on YouTube at **KurtNLisasOpenHouse**

Thank you for considering our services, together, we can achieve your real estate goals.
Live and work in Sun City Arizona 55+ Community Specialist.

Lisa Wade 602.541.8211

Kurt Kominski 602.541.4107

Realty One Arizona | Dove Realty Inc. Washington



REALTYONEGROUP



GRILL SEASON MEETS GROWTH SEASON

4.10%

APY¹

13-MONTH CD | RATE PROMO

GOLD SAVINGS

4.00%

APY²

\$250 DEPOSIT OR MORE



Stop by your local branch or visit us online to earn this limited-time rate.

10736 W. Bell Rd. | Sun City | 480-808-2210
 13503 Camino Del Sol | Sun City West | 480-559-8400



¹Advertised Annual Percentage Yield (APY) accurate as of September 1, 2026. Minimum \$5,000 deposit to open and earn stated CD APY. Penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal. Visit www.suncanyon.bank for more details. FDIC coverage is provided through Banterra Bank; see FDIC for more details. Limits apply and customer eligibility criteria may apply. ²Advertised Annual Percentage Yields (APY) accurate as of September 1, 2026. Interest rates are variable and may change after the account is opened. Fees could reduce earnings on the account.



Fire mechanic Izacc Ramos. (Independent Newsmedia/Zev Black)

Sun City fire mechanic recognized for keeping vehicles safe

By Zev Black
 INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

A Sun City mechanic has received honorable mention for Emergency Vehicle Technician of the year by Firehouse Magazine.

Izacc Ramos, who is nearing his fifth year with the department, is the first and only internal mechanic the Sun City Fire and Medical Department has ever had.

Before Ramos got to Sun City, the department would send all of their vehicles to other mechanics, leading to them being out of commission for weeks or months on end, according to Resource Chief Tony Van Roekel. Now, with Ramos on the team, repairs are done significantly quicker.

“The crews love it because it saves them time,” Van Roekel said. “And it saves us time where we’re able to respond to more calls and be available

for the community instead of being broken down. It just helps with morale.”

He added Ramos’s personality is stellar, earning the nickname “Big Happy” by some former crew members.

It was evident just how much he is loved by walking into the station. Many of the firefighters were hooting and hollering for him when they heard a profile was being written on him.

“It’s great to be at a department that actually cares about you and recognizes your work,” Ramos said. “To me, I’m just doing my job. I do it for the citizens primarily... Everyone’s embraced having me here from day one.”

He added that he is prior military and sees some similarities between the department and his former squad.

• See **Fire** on page 18

*Come See what all the
Fun is about!*



**Wed., Sept. 23, 2026
9:00am - Noon**

*See you at
The Sundial!*

**14801 N. 103rd Ave.
Sun City, AZ 85351**



*See The Poms
@10:30am and
The Razzle Dazzle
Dancers @11:15am*

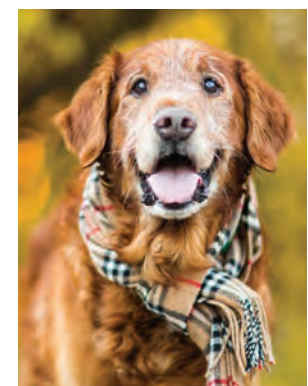
**Interested in a Sponsorship?
Call 888-665-3848 or
Email AZADS@iniusa.org**

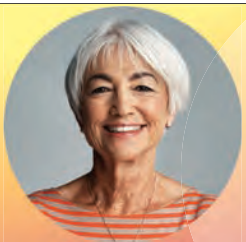


BUSINESS SPONSORS

**Arizona Broadway
Theatre**
Cardiac Solutions
SCAN Health Plan
**Sunland Plumbing,
Construction & HVAC**
Sunshine Services

**Explore the selection of
products and services**
**Access essential health
screenings**
**Connect with local and
national vendors**
Enjoy free giveaways
**Enter exciting door prize
drawings**
Plus, many more surprises!





Find Your PASSION

Discover your Passion with Community Education Classes at Glendale.

Learn more at

at.gccaz.edu/community-ed



GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

A MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



DAILY INDEPENDENT
at YourValley.net

PRATT MARKETING AGENCY STUDIO TOUR & PODCASTING OVERVIEW

Join Charlene Bisson, CEO of Independent Newsmedia and Brent Cruikshank, INI Multimedia Advertising consultant, for an exclusive visit to the state-of-the-art pro podcast studio of Hall of Fame Personality Dave Pratt. He will walk us through the podcasting process, full-service staff, distribution plus everything you need to get started and be a pro!



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

6900 E Camelback Rd,
Scottsdale, AZ 85251 Suite 600

RSVP required: AZAds@iniusa.org

Park for free in front of the studios, in front of Neiman Marcus or in the Fashion Square parking garage.



BROUGHT TO YOU BY
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA
YourValley.net

They're more than just your "favorite,"

They're a

COMMUNITY FAVORITE!

Vote for your favorite business in our

SUN CITY FAVORITES

Readers' Choice Awards

Voting Sept. 1 - 30, 2026

RULES:

- You may vote once per day, per household, per IP address
- The "View Results" button will not work.
- Businesses can only be featured or win in a **max of two categories**
- No new businesses or categories will be added once voting begins

Fire

• From page 16

"The camaraderie that is here is similar to there," he said. "Everybody cares about you no matter what's going on. At the end of the day, you're part of a big family. That's something you don't find in a lot of places unless you're at a smaller, tighter department like this."

Van Roekel, who sent in the nomination for the award, said Ramos is capable of being a firefighter or holding a higher ranking job at other departments yet chooses to stay with the SCFD.

Part of the reason he hasn't left is because Ramos believes it's the right thing to do.

"That's just what I've done my whole life. People sometimes are like 'why are you doing the right thing when no one's watching you?' That's when you do the right thing... It comes natural."

He knows there is a big responsibility on his shoulders as a mechanic for a fire department because everyone is depending on him.

He added he's never chased an award, but he's won multiple in his short time with the department. In 2024, he received the EVT of the

Year Award from Arizona Fire Service Mechanics Association. He has also won employee of the year at SCFD.

Van Roekel said Ramos saved the department \$70,000 on parts and repairs in just his first year.

"Every year, our repair budget is under budget. He's just savvy at figuring out how to get us quality repairs for less. There's not a position in the department that's irreplaceable except for his."

He added this is incredibly important because the department is part of the Phoenix system, they are expected to operate like the other departments in the area. However, they can't increase taxes to try and raise funding.

Ramos didn't take all the credit.

"I appreciate what they (firefighters) do," he said. "They're out there on the front line, saving lives everyday. If I can do my part to make their job easier, I'm all for it. I'm here to support what they do."

"There's so many great EVT's out there that just getting mentioned in one of these magazines is a pretty big deal."

Reporter Zev Black can be reached at zblack@iniusa.org. Please submit comments at yourvalley.net/letters or email them to AZOpinions@iniusa.org. We are committed to publishing a wide variety of reader opinions, as long as they meet our Civility Guidelines.

SUPPORT

Church helps families through tough times

By Zev Black
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Three mornings a week, dozens of families go to Radiant Church, 10701 W. Boswell Blvd., looking for food, clothing and a little help getting through a difficult time.

Radiant Community Services partners with St. Mary's Food Bank to provide those in need with free food and clothing. The program runs 9–11 a.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Individuals can pick up food once a week and clothes every 30 days.

When they arrive on site, they are greeted by volunteers who have a sheet for them to fill out with their needs for the week. Some food options include peanut butter, eggs, bread and tomatoes.

Pastor Arthur Davey, who has been overseeing this program for three years, said the congregation donates money for the church to buy food from St. Mary's Food Bank. It also gets perishable donations from the food bank along with overflow items from stores like Safeway and Target.

The church has given out 251,000 pounds of food to over 600 families so far this year, according to Davey.

The Sun City location has around 75 volunteers. Two of those are Kathy and Don Blomberg.

The married couple has been volunteering with this program for six years and absolutely love it.

"We've been so blessed with our life," Kathy said. "We're at a point in our life where we have time. When we were younger and working, it was hard to do things like that."



Volunteers Kathy Blomberg, Charles Much and Don Blomberg. (Independent Newsmedia/Zev Black)

Don added it's "time to give back to the community."

"Some are really hurting financially," he said. "We've had women living in their cars. We've got people sleeping under bridges. We get people who really, really need our help."

He went on to say he's learned it's more of a blessing to give rather than receive.

The program is about more than just helping people fill their pantries with food.

"The ultimate goal is to get them through the valley they're in to a point where they have a little dignity again," Davey said. "Some of the people that come through there, that may be the only time they come out of the house that week."

He added that some of them have built relationships with the volunteers, going out to lunch and doing other activities together.

"People show up not just wanting to pick up their food," he said. "They might show up the next day and just hang out for a couple hours talking with their new friends. It's pretty incredible."

To learn more about Radiant Church, go to radiantchurch.com.

**Come Visit Our
NEW LOCATION!**
(RIGHT NEXT TO SAFEWAY)

HIGH-QUALITY DENTAL CARE

**AZ Implant
& Denture
Center**

FREE CONSULT & 3D X-RAY
FREE ORAL CANCER SCREENING
Call Now 623-214-7898

Denture Repair and Reline While You Wait

- General & Cosmetic Dentistry
- Implant Expert 30+ Years
- Do You Want To Save Your Teeth? We Can Help
- Lab On Site

13507 W Camino Del Sol, Suite B3, Sun City West, AZ 85375

www.azimplantdenturecenter.com

Pick Your Term
and Watch Your Savings Grow

7-Month CD 4.03% APY¹	17-Month CD 4.04% APY¹
27-Month CD 4.00% APY¹	Bell Bank Family and Employee Owned

No checking required. Switch to a higher rate today!
8349 W. Bell Rd. | Peoria | 623-246-3500

¹Annual percentage yield (APY) effective as of July 2, 2026. \$500 minimum balance required to earn the disclosed APY. Balances greater than \$99,999 will earn 4.08% on the 7-month CD, 4.09% APY on the 17-month CD and 4.05% APY on the 27-month CD. If compounding and crediting increases the balance to exceed \$99,999, the increased rate will take effect upon renewal. Interest on the 7-month CD will be compounded and credited at maturity. Interest on the 17-month CD will be compounded and credited semiannually and at maturity. Interest on the 27-month CD will be compounded and credited annually and at maturity. There may be a penalty for early withdrawal.

COMMUNITY

Brown serves seniors in the Sun Cities

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Sharon Brown, from Litchfield Park, travels twice a week to dedicate time and effort to serving seniors at the Banner Olive Branch Senior Center.

She recently celebrated one year of dedication with the center and said the time has gone by very fast.

Her service started in senior meal delivery in Sun City, but after her route dwindled, she learned about the senior center and applied to deliver food. Brown quickly realized she has to be an employee to do that job and she was not looking for anything full time.

"I was looking for physical work, and someone suggested the pantry. I love stocking the cooler and more than happy to do it," she said.

Mondays Brown spends time with

the other volunteers removing the food from the trucks and placing them on the shelves and Thursdays she is stocking the coolers and removing any left over food before they leave for the weekend.

"It is non-stop from the time I get here around 6:30 a.m. until the pantry closes at 11 a.m. and sometimes I am there until noon getting the shelves cleared," said Brown.

Unfortunately, Brown said a lot of good has to get thrown out at the end of the week but said she has said there may be a partnership with a local farm in the works. Salmon, chicken, milk, creamers, cheeses and pre-made salads are often on the shelves, and Brown said she has been impressed with the types of foods available for seniors.

Brown has created relationships with patrons who will often stick their



Banner Olive Branch Senior Center Pantry volunteer Sharon Brown travels from Litchfield Park to dedicate time to seniors. (Independent Newsmedia/Jennifer Jimenez)

head into the cooler and thank her or say hello. She said many volunteers spend three days volunteering and know many of the individuals well.

"The volunteers all work very hard and we rarely get anyone under age 60 so it is seniors helping seniors a lot," she said.

Individuals looking for service op-

portunities should not miss out, according to Brown. She said once people step into volunteering, usually those individuals are looking for another place to help.

Brown has a full calendar not only caring for her parents, but also volunteering and said that is part of her commitment to giving back.

Volunteering at the center opened her eyes to just how much food gets distributed to seniors every week.

"I had no idea how many people go in and eat their meals, but I am glad they have this service for people besides just the pantry," said Brown.

Brown said it is fulfilling to complete volunteer work and also spends time at the Red Cross, St. Mary's Food Bank and hopes to get opportunities at the Wildlife World Zoo.

YOUR PHARMACY NEVER TOLD YOU THIS.

Right here in Sun City, one pharmacy decided to stop playing games.

Rightway Pharmacy now fills eligible generics at one honest cash price — no insurance, no coupons, no games:

6 Months. \$35. Done.
1 Year. \$65. Done.

Per eligible generic medication • No insurance needed • Valid prescription required

- ✓ A \$15/month copay costs you \$180 a year. We charge \$65.
- ✓ No coupons. No discount cards. No prior authorizations. Ever.
- ✓ Licensed Arizona pharmacy. Every prescription pharmacist-reviewed.

New program — now available in Arizona.

(623) 266-0021

www.rightwayrxsavings.com

Call us. We'll tell you your price in 60 seconds.

14806 N Del Webb Blvd, Sun City, AZ | Mon-Fri 8AM-5PM

Licensed Arizona pharmacy • Valid prescription required • Prices subject to change

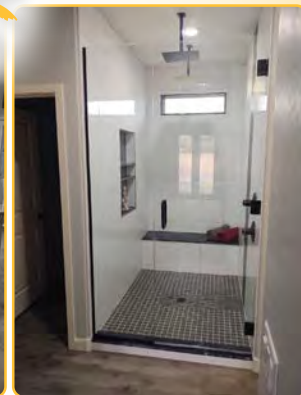
"Advocates for **YOUR** Home Improvement"

PALMER'S
Kitchen, Bath & Beyond

CRAFTSMANSHIP • SERVICE • INTEGRITY

YOUR TRUSTED SOURCE FOR HOME UPDATES INCLUDING:

- Kitchens • Counter Tops
- Bathrooms • Flooring
- Walk-in Showers • Painting
- Walk-in Tubs • Outdoor Living



— ALL PHASES OF REMODELING —

\$500 OFF ANY PROJECT \$5000 OR MORE

Must mention this offer at time of signing.

Call Today 623-977-4458

623-977-4458

www.PalmersandBeyond.com

MyGuy
REFERRALS
for all of life's needs

SCHOA

ROC 269037 | Licensed | Bonded | Insured



PROTECT
WHAT YOU'VE BUILT.
YOUR HOME.
YOUR SAVINGS.
YOUR LEGACY.

A Living Trust can help
you avoid probate, organize
your estate and make
your wishes clear.

*Don't Leave Your
Family Guessing.*

Living Trusts & Estate Planning

623-561-2323

CALL TODAY
for Your Free Consultation
99th Ave & Bell Road



No legal advice given – Not a law firm



Jared Gough

JoAnn Regan

OVER 25 Years
Of Your Security,
Your Peace of Mind

LOCALLY OWNED. ARIZONA TRUSTED.

FROM STEPHEN SCHWARTZ, THE COMPOSER OF *WICKED*.

PIPPIN

WHAT WOULD YOU RISK
FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY LIFE?



OCTOBER 2 THROUGH NOVEMBER 8, 2026

**ARIZONA
BROADWAY
THEATRE**

26/27
SEASON



GET TICKETS NOW!
azbroadway.org
623.776.8400

Dr. Fox is back to doing full service dentistry.
Now offering cleanings with our hygienist!
**We are open for all of your dental
emergencies during these trying times!**

**HAVE A
BROKEN
TOOTH OR
BEEN TOLD
YOU NEED
A CROWN?**



NOW WELCOMING NEW PATIENTS! **FREE CONSULTATION!**

\$699
PER UNIT

CROWN
ONE SIMPLE PRICE,
NO SURPRISE HIDDEN FEES!

Come see the experts for quality crowns at exceptional
prices. We'll also replace missing teeth with bridges and
provide cosmetic crowns to create the confident smile you
deserve—all affordable, just \$699 per unit!
Dr Fox and the same staff that you have trusted to treat
you for years in Sun City and Sun City West are now back
together in surprise conveniently located on bell road.

**FULL TIME INSURANCE SPECIALIST TO
ASSIST YOU IN GETTING MAXIMUM
REIMBURSEMENT FROM YOUR INSURANCE.**



*If your insurance covers 50% of the cost of the crown, your insurance will reimburse you \$349.50.

In house financing available for larger treatment plans



**Arizona
CROWN
CENTER**

Call Today!

623-229-6576

www.azcrowncenter.com • 15288 N. Brookside Ln., Suite 131 • Surprise, AZ 85374



**This is more than
a place to live.
It's a place
to come alive.**

SENIOR LIVING DESIGNED FOR *you*.

Call for a tour and be among the first to
experience our beautifully renovated homes.

Call to RSVP for our upcoming
LUNCH & LEARN
THURSDAY, SEPT. 17th • 11AM

**THE HERITAGE
TRADITION**

19303 N. New Tradition Road • Sun City West
623.223.7512
THEHERITAGETRADITION.COM

AN SRG SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

**Your Hometown
Dentist**

Serving The Sun Cities for Over 30 years

**Come Experience Our Honest,
Professional And Gentle Approach
To All Phases of Exceptional
General Dentistry**

- All Dental Services
- One Stop
- Sedation Dentistry

\$69 New Patient Special
includes X-rays & Exam
Not to be combined with insurance

We Accept Most Dental Insurance

CareCredit
a Synchrony solution
in office discount plan for
those without insurance

Dr. Ilian Barber, DMD
Midwestern University Doctor
of Dental Medicine

Patrick A. Carr, DDS
Creighton University, Omaha
Nebraska. Bachelor of Science -
Doctorate of Dental Surgery

**10333 W. Coggins Dr.
Sun City AZ, 85351**

623-933-0078
www.SunCityDentalCenter.com

Sun City Dental Center

THEATER

Local theater earns several ariZoni nominations

Ghostlight Theatre celebrates with members

By Jennifer Jimenez
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

A local community theater in Sun City West is celebrating several nominations for the ariZoni Theatre Association Awards.

Ghostlight Theatre, 13541 W. Camino del Sol, has called Sun City West home since 2013, while the non-profit began in 2010 with a dream and idea between a group of high school friends.

Now, the group is celebrating several “Zonis” nominations. These awards celebrate productions, performances and contributions to other theaters.

Ghostlight Theatre Marketing Director GinaKay Howell said these awards consider about 36 different community theaters and it is an honor to be considered for the work the group puts in.

“We have received dozens of ariZoni nominations over the past 17 years, including six wins across multiple categories,” she said.

Howell said this is a big honor considering the small size of Ghostlight Theatre. She is one of only 10 nominees in the category of hair and make-up out of the 36 total theaters.

She said this theater is a special place that is hard to compare with the level of work and amount of time that goes into any level of production. In the live performance setting, every night of the show is different.

The shows at Ghostlight Theatre vary in size with some cast and crew made up of 10 people and others have 17.



“Defying Gravity” and “The Shark is Broken” were nominated for best overall production. (Submitted photo/Ghostlight Theatre)

Howell said theater is her passion, and everyone in the theater shares that passion in their projects.

Even if she is not a performer in a production, she could be involved in design and supports every show.

Laura Vines, executive director of Ghostlight Theatre said it is always nice to be recognized by the Arizona theater community for doing quality work.

“It is always great to be recognized by the Arizona theater community for doing quality work. The nomination for “The Shark is Broken” is the fifth best overall production nomination we have received in as many years, which is rare and really speaks to the caliber of art that we are producing for the West Valley,” she said.

The awards ceremony will take place Oct. 6 at Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 7380 E. Second St. Youth awards will be presented at 5:30 p.m., and the adult ceremony begins at 8 p.m.

Ghostlight Theatre is already into a new season of productions and can be found at ghostlightaz.com/up-next.

FITNESS

Benevilla to hold Benefitness Adaptive Gym Boxing Room celebration

Benevilla will celebrate the “re-grand opening” of Benefitness Adaptive Gym’s expanded Rock Steady Boxing Room and new personal training suite 9–11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at 16752 N. Greasewood St., in Surprise. Admission is free and open to the public.

The Rock Steady Boxing room was made possible through a Ken Kendrick Grand Slam Award grant from the Arizona Diamondbacks Foundation, allowing the nonprofit to better serve individuals living with Parkinson’s disease.

The event will also celebrate the opening of Benefitness’ Personal Training Suite, located in the former boxing room. The larger space will offer one-on-one adaptive fitness training tailored for ages 12 through adulthood, from athletes to beginners, and from those with physical limitations or neurological conditions to those who wish to achieve their fitness goals.

“Benefitness continues to grow to meet the needs of our community,” stated Benefitness director Lorrie Karn, in a media release. “... These new spaces allow us to expand life-enriching programs that help people improve strength, balance, mobility, confidence, and overall quality of life while creating an even better experience for our members.”

Benefitness is an adaptive gym specifically designed for anyone 12 years old and up who want to achieve their fitness goals, especially those living with neurological conditions and other physical challenges. An



Benefitness Adaptive Gym members participate in a recent boxing class. (Submitted Photo/Benevilla)

official Rock Steady Boxing affiliate, Benefitness offers evidence-based Parkinson’s boxing classes led by coaches trained and certified through Rock Steady Boxing.

This non-contact fitness program is said to help participants fight back against Parkinson’s disease by improving physical function and enhancing quality of life.

The expansion enables Benefitness to accommodate more class participants while continuing to strengthen its specialized adaptive fitness programming and personalized training services.

WE HAVE OPENINGS AT MARY’S PLACE IN SUN CITY & WEST VALLEY IN PEORIA

Ad Sponsored by:
INDEPENDENT NEWS MEDIA
Celebrating & Connecting Our Communities
YourValley.net

Engaging Daytime Care for Your Loved One. *Peace of Mind for You.*

If you’re caring for a loved one and finding it harder to leave them alone during the day, you may be ready for more support. **Benevilla Life Enrichment Adult Day Programs** provide a safe, welcoming place where older adults can spend the day engaged and cared for, while caregivers have respite.

Our Programs Support Adults With:

- MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)
- Alzheimer’s and Other Dementia
- Adults with Intellectual Disabilities
- Stroke Survivors
- Parkinson’s Disease

Schedule a Tour

(623) 584-4999 TTY711



Benevilla®

Benevilla.org

Western
Bank • Invest • Insure
Your Hometown Bank

GROW WITH CONFIDENCE.

11-MONTH OR 18-MONTH CD

4.00%
APY*

623-561-4800 • WESTERNBANKS.COM
10050 W Bell Rd, Suite 6 • Sun City

*Annual Percentage Yield (APY) effective 7/13/26. Personal and business accounts only. No municipalities or institutional funds. Minimum \$1,000 deposit required to open the account and obtain the advertised APY. Early withdrawal penalties may apply. Fees could reduce earnings on the account. Member FDIC.



In-Home Care Services for Seniors *by* Seniors





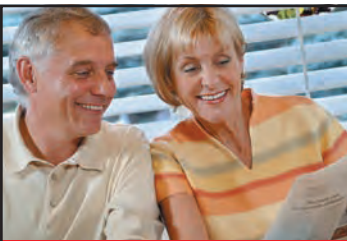







SunCitySHS.com

480-480-5815



AZ DENTAL CARE

Gentle Affordable Quality Care

Dr. Minal Mehta, D.D.S.
 Graduate of University of the Pacific, San Francisco
 Accept Most Insurances including Military & AHCCCS
 United Healthcare Dual Complete, Mercy Care Advantage, Gold Kidney, Eternal, SCAN, Banner, Well Care
 Retirees & Families Welcome • Emergencies Seen Same Day • Walk-Ins Welcome
Payment Plans Available

NOW ACCEPTING MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS

623-974-5834
 10659 NW Grand Ave.
 Ste 4, Sun City
 Located in Fry's Shopping Center

OFFERING SECOND OPINIONS AND DENTAL CONSULTATIONS
TIME TO USE YOUR INSURANCE BENEFITS

Dentures Repaired Same Day

Root Canal Treatment Done on Site



Save the Dates

SENIOR EXPO THE PREMIER SENIOR HEALTH & LIFESTYLE EXPOS

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA





Sun City - September 23, 2026 - Sundial Recreation Center

Sun City West - October 28, 2026 - SCW Foundation Center

Mesa - November 13, 2026 - Mesa Marketplace Swap Meet

Apache Junction - January 6, 2027 - Central Arizona College

Surprise - January 19, 2027 - The Colonnade

Litchfield/Goodyear - February 17, 2027 - Tuscany Falls Clubhouse(Pebble Creek)

Chandler - February 23, 2027 - Sun Lakes Country Club

Peoria - March 25, 2027 - Westbrook Village

Sun City West - April 13, 2027 - SCW Foundation Center

Sun City - May 3, 2027 - Sundial Recreation Center

INTERESTED IN A SPONSORSHIP? EMAIL AZADS@INIUSA.ORG OR CALL 888-665-3848

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 make 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.

Reporter Jennifer Jimenez can be reached at jjimenez@iniusa.org. Please submit comments at yourvalley.net/letters or email them to AzOpinions@iniusa.org. We are committed to publishing a wide variety of reader opinions, as long as they meet our Civility Guidelines.

SCORES

GAMES

Monday Night Bridge Scores

Aug. 24

- 1st - Ray and Carolyn Murphy 5370
2nd - Marilyn Dumond and Barb Sumner 4730
3rd - Bill Cooper and Barb Carl 4310
4th - Ann and Peter Rowson 4130
Small Slam
Barb Sumner and Marilyn Dumond
Karen Oveson and Gene Hopp

SCWCBC Tuesday Scores

Aug. 25

- 1 Marilyn Torgrimson 3880
2 Barb Carl 3230
3 Chris Lee 3190
4 Linda Chattin 3010
5 Jack Michels 2990

Sept. 1

- 1 Marilyn Dumond 3860
2 Pauline Maxwell 3650
3 Dennis Hemmer 3220
4 Marilyn Torgrimson 3050

August Pinochle Tournament

- 1st - Mary Callaghan - 853
2nd - Gail Walikainen - 845
3rd - Tracie Zeissel - 819

Bridge Results - Aug. 31

- Marilyn Dumond and Barb Sumner 6380
Tim Archer and Bill Hoeing 5530
Anne and Peter Rowson 4720
Chris Lee and Mary Varney 4020
Small slam: Marilyn Dumond and Barb Sumner

GOLF

Echo Mesa Women's Golf - Easiest Nine

- Flt. 1 19 - 37 Game Score
Peggy Stowell 19.5
Ginger Emerson 21.0
Charlotte Engel 21.5
Linda Geyer 21.5
ReNae Keuck 21.5
Carolyn Lopez 21.5
Nine Holers
Joanne Honce 46
Jeanne Pribnow 51

Desert Trails Ladies Golf

Aug. 25

- Flight 1 Low Gross D. Craig 72 Low Net K. Davis 53

Flight 2 Low Gross L. Saelens 80 Low Net L. Bunn, S. White, S. Light 56
Flight 3 Low Gross H.. Fix 88 Low Net J. Martin 56

DT Winners at Echo Mesa

Aug. 26

Best nine (front or back)
1st Flight: (Handicaps 5-15)
Mike Bashaw-27 Ed Lewton, Lance Brown and Jack Johnson (Tied at 29)
Gary Smith-30
2nd Flight: (Handicaps 16-27)
Ron Stallbaum-27 Gary McGrath and Dave Gearhart (Tied at 29)
John Evans, John Mitchell, John Vignatti, Randy Giedt and Tom Flaherty (Tied at 30)

Echo Mesa Women's Golf Club

Sept. 1

Low Gross/Low Net
Flt. 1 19 - 37 Low Gross Low Net
Carolyn Lopez 74
Linda Geyer 77
Eileen Fargher 50
Ginger Emerson 53
Sue Anderson 56
Janet Eriksson 56
ReNae Keuck 57
Peggy Stowell 57
Nine Holers
Joanne Honce 50
Kay Grossman 60



Eileen Fargher had a hole in one Sept. 1, on #6 at Echo Mesa. (Submitted photo/RoseAnn Wishner)



COMMISSIONS
AS LOW AS
\$999*



**FREE HOME EVALUATION
AND TITLE ALERT!***

CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION*
602-803-9900
ALOHAALLAN@AOL.COM

**The voice from the
heart of Sun City West**



**The oldies you grew up with and love
Listen at **SunCityWestRadio.com****

A N.W. Valley community service of the Sun City West Broadcast Club

Faith & Values



The Community Church of Sun City
FAITH • FAMILY • FELLOWSHIP

WORSHIP WITH US SUNDAYS AT 9:30 AM

NOW HIRING: Looking for a Choir Director
If interested, please contact the church office.

18401 N. 99th Ave., Sun City 623-977-4241
admin@ccscsz.org
Just South of Union Hills Dr. on 99th Ave.

CROWN OF LIFE
Lutheran Church

Join Us For Worship
Saturday 4:00pm • Sunday 9:00am
Online at colchurch.com/services

Pastor Mark Logid
13131 Spanish Garden Dr., Sun City West, Az 85375
www.colchurch.com • 623-546-6228

First Christian Church
"Where God Is Made Real And Friends Are Forever"

Sunday Service 9:00 am
Fellowship 10:00 am

14001 Thunderbird Blvd., Sun City
623-972-8147 • Bobby Wingate, Pastor and wife Kae

Faith Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10 AM

Come and Hear
Desert Aires
Barbershop Chorus
September 13, 2026
Pastor Greg Emery

16000 N. Del Webb Blvd. Sun City 85351 623-974-3611
And Live-Streamed at www.scfait.org

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SUN CITY WEST

6-Week Ladies' Evening Bible Study
Thursdays at 6:00pm—Begins Sept. 3—"Friends & Sisters"

Lord's Supper Service in Newly Renovated Sanctuary—Sept. 13, 10:30am
Sanctuary Dedication Service—Sept. 27, 10:30am

Sunday Bible Study, 9:00am / Sunday Worship, 10:30am
www.fbcscw.org 17419 N. Conquistador Dr. 623-584-5738

Looking For A Church Home?

First United Methodist Church of Sun City
"The Friendliest Church on 105th Avenue"

Sunday Worship - 9:30 AM
Coffee & Fellowship Following the Service
Tuesday Bible Study - 10:30 AM
Tuesday Game Night - 6:00 PM

9849 N. 105th Ave - Sun City, AZ 85351
(South of Peoria & 105th Ave)



623-974-3631

Emmanuel SBC

Baptist Church
"Where Preaching is still done by the Book."

Sunday
Worship—10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.
Bible Study—9:00 a.m.

12225 North 103rd Avenue
Sun City AZ 85351
(First Presbyterian Church-Back Chapel)

Pastor Dan Fosnight • 602-321-5629

www.ebcsuncity.com
Facebook—Emmanuel Baptist Church of Sun City AZ



Lord of Life Lutheran Church
Worship With Us

Weekend Worship
Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:30 AM

CONNECT WITH US

(623) 584-2000 | www.LOLaz.org | info@LOLaz.org
13724 W Meeker Boulevard, Sun City West, AZ
Corner of RH Johnson & W Meeker Boulevards

Sun City Church of the Nazarene

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9am - 1st Service
10:10 - Coffee
10:30 - 2nd Service
5pm - Evening Service

Sunday School available during both morning services

14636 N Del Webb Blvd
Sun City ••• JOIN US!



BUSINESS DIRECTORY & CLASSIFIED ADS

VISIT US @ iniusa.org/classifieds | EMAIL US: azads@iniusa.org | OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

EMAILS

azads@iniusa.org
legals@iniusa.org

To place your ad call us at

888-665-3848

AUTOMOTIVE, GARAGE SALES & MERCHANDISE RATES

\$20 per market - 30 words

Your ad appears in the newspaper
of choice plus online

\$5⁰⁰ for color and each additional photo
25¢ extra per additional word

BUSINESS/SERVICE DIRECTORY RATES

Starting at **\$45**

for one column by three-inch advertisement
\$15⁰⁰ per inch after (maximum size 8.55 inches)
Logo and photos included
4-weeks minimum

EMPLOYMENT ADS

Starting at **\$45**

for one column by three-inch advertisement
\$15⁰⁰ per inch after (maximum size 8.55 inches)
Logo and photos included
No minimum commitment requirement

Announcement

NOTICE Independent Newspapers

will not knowingly accept any advertisement that is illegal or considered fraudulent. In all cases of questionable value, such as promises of guaranteed income from work-at-home programs - if it sounds too good to be true, chances are that it is.

If you have questions or doubts about any ad on these pages, we advise that before responding or sending money ahead of time, you check with the Better Business Bureau at 877-291-6222 for previous complaints.

Announcement

Spa & Beauty

It's The Perfect Time For
A Massage And Facial!
\$10.00 Off When You
Book A Massage &
Facial Back to Back
Adrianne: Esthetician
602-715-5073
602-702-4968
Or Melissa: LMT
Book Yours Today!
99th Ave & Union Hills
Sun City S/W Corner
Matthew 11:28

Miscellaneous

For Sale:

HP 8120e Office Jet
Printer - Manuals
Included - \$69.00

New - NEVER
USED Voll Rath, 40
Quart Stainless
Steel Stock Pot -
\$135.00

Tall Table Lamp,
Crystal Design -
\$20.00

Call: 480-925-4591

Get a quick response to
any item you may be selling
with a classified ad.
Email us at: azads@iniusa.org

Employment

**Valley
Newspapers is
Hiring!**
Full-time delivery
driver for busy
print shop.
26-foot box truck
with lift gate.
Must have clean
driving record and
pass physical.
Competitive wages
with benefits
Contact Mike
Jacobs at
mjacobs@iniusa.org

Guns/Supplies

**BUYING &
SELLING GOLD,
GUNS, AMMO, &
RELOADING
SUPPLIES.**
Will buy one gun or
whole collection.
Licensed dealer.
Best prices around.
Allen
602-918-1999
623-875-4565

Condos



RENTAL MUST SEE!
TIDY
1-Bedroom - 1-Bath
IN SUN CITY, GRASSY
COURTYARD FACING,
UPDATED KITCHEN,
INSIDE LAUNDRY, FULL
BATH, PRIVATE WALLED
REAR COURTYARD,
PRIVATE CARPORT AND
STORAGE.

NON-SMOKING - NO PETS
\$1400.00 MO.
55+ Community
OWNER AGENT
602-413-0941



Automobiles

602-469-5005
CAR
GOOD USED
FOR A
LOOKING
Private Party

Automobiles

WANTED older cars
1940's 50's 60's 70's
80's. Running or not.
Can tow non running car.
Please Call or Text me
what you have
480-375-8959 or email
oldcar@usa.com

CLASSIFIEDS
WORK
call
888-665-3848

Golf Cars

\$CASH\$
\$CASH\$
\$\$ CASH \$\$
For Your
Old Golf Cart
Running
or Not
602-576-5937

Golf Cars

Buying Running &
Non Running
Golf Carts.
We Pick Up
& PAY CASH!

602-348-8967

AC/Heating

WARM TEMPS ARE HERE!
Schedule Your A/C Tune-up Today!
\$7500 Installation Special
Need a New System?
Mention this ad for a
5% DISCOUNT
ON NEW INSTALLATION
AND FOR ALL VETS
623-999-8226
LevelUpHVAC.com
Licensed - Bonded - Insured - ROC#328964

**BUY
SELL**
**almost
anything
under
the sky!**
CALL
888-665-3848
YourValley.net

Appliance

APPLIANCE REPAIR

WE'RE OPEN
Ex-Sears Repairman
26+ Years' Experience
• Washers
• Dryers
• Coolers
• Refrigerators
• A/C - Heaters
• Ranges - Microwaves
• Disposals
• Water Heaters
**\$15
Service
Call**
COLWILL'S
623.492.9356

Shop the Classifieds first!
iniusa.org/classifieds

Pets/Supplies

Say 'Hi' to **FINNEGAN!** This handsome black gentleman is almost 6 years old and is the definition of a big, lovable lap cat. Finnegan was found by a trapper living in a large feral colony, but when they discovered that he had a microchip and had originally been adopted from Sun Cities 4 Paws, he came back to us when he original owners could not be reached. Finnegan absolutely loves climbing into your lap and settling in for some serious cuddle time. He is affectionate, sweet, and happiest hanging out with his favorite person. He will let you know when he's had enough cuddle time though! Since he spent time living outdoors, his new family will need to keep an eye on doors because he may occasionally try to make a dash back out. Finnegan would likely be happiest as the one and only feline king of his castle. His experience with dogs and children is unknown. He has no current health concerns and is ready to trade colony life for a comfortable lap, a safe home, and someone of his very own. If you're looking for a big, cuddly boy who would love nothing more than to curl up in your lap and keep you company, Finnegan may be your guy! Meet him at the Peoria Shelter, 10807 N 96th Ave, Peoria or call 623-773-2246. Additional cats at PetSmart, 13764 W Bell Rd, Surprise AZ.



Finnegan

SUN CITIES
4 Paws
CAT RESCUE
Saving Cats Since 1996

AC/Heating

COMFORTABLE LIVING
AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING
10050 W. Bell Rd., Suite #33
Sun City, AZ 85351

A/C Tune-up Special \$59

We NOW offer Duct Cleaning!

Free Estimates!
Does your air conditioning system need to be replaced?
We have a system for every budget!
Call us today for a free estimate.
Financing available O.A.C.

602.541.0862
comfortablelivingaz.com

YORK
AUTHORIZED DEALER
Family Owned & Operated
20 Plus Years Experience
Licensed-Bonded-Insured • ROC# 259846

Beauty Salons

Augie's Hair Studio

Hair Cut, Razor Cut, Blow Dry and Style, Roller Sets, Color, High & Low Lights, Perms, and Face Waxing!

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK - CALL TODAY!
(Sunday & Monday one by appointment only)

WE ARE HIRING!
Walk-ins are welcome! / Stations available for Employees or Renters.

623.977.1232 9877 W Bell Rd Sun City, AZ 85351

ALL NEW CLIENTS will receive **10% OFF** on Any Service

Caregivers

Your Time Is Precious and Mine is Affordable

• Senior Care
• Transportation
• Bathing
• Dressing
• Shopping
• Housekeeping
• Meals
• All Domestic Jobs

Call **480-313-6543**
For More Information

Let Us Help You With Your Business Advertising

Call us for details
888-665-3848
iniusa.org/classifieds

Cleaning

Adela's Professional House & Window Cleaning Service

25 Years Exp.
Free Estimates
(623) 329-0332

Cleaning

House Cleaning

♦ References ♦
Supplies Furnished
Detailed / Guaranteed
FREE BID

20+ Years Experience
Sun City, SCW & Peoria
Call DEBBIE
(623) 205-7920

Shop the Classifieds first!
iniusa.org/classifieds

Cleaning

Barb's House Cleaning
41+ yrs in business
SCW Resident
Weekly Bi-weekly Monthly
Move In's/Out's
References
(623) 521-4196
Bonded & Insured

Clean Windows

Excellent Window Cleaning & SUNSCREENS
10% Off Sun Screens!
Interior/Exterior
Local/Reliable
Steve
623-341-8197

Classifieds WORK
To advertise call 888-665-3848

Clean Windows

BARB'S WINDOW Cleaning
Includes Tracks & Screens
41 Yrs. In Business
(623) 521-4196
Bonded & Insured

Computers

Computer Problems?
Need friendly, individualized, onsite assistance?
Call Kagons Tutoring and Technical Support, Inc:
623-377-3440

Concrete

Superior Concrete Coatings
Our Specialty:
*Cool Deck
*Simulated Flag-Stone
*Garage Floor Epoxies &
*Fixing Old Coatings
Serving the Valley Since 1987
With No Complaints!
Senior Discounts
602-486-9598
ROC# 354469 Lic/Bond

Construction

CUSTOM TEXTURES
Construction LLC
• DRYWALL
• WALL RESURFACING
• REPAIRS
• RENOVATIONS
JIM EDMONDS
602-397-9184
CustomTextures.NET
SCHOA CONTRACTORS LIST
ROC 246924

Electrical

DOMECO ELECTRIC
Reliable Electrical Services
...No Job To Small!
Home and Business INNOVATION
Fair Prices
On Time Service
Ceiling Fans
Outlets
Dimmer Switches
AND MORE!
Aluminum Wire Specialist
480-518-4260
AZ ROC: 354854
Licensed-Bonded-Insured
BBB A+ rating

Floor Coverings

KEIGHER'S FLOORING
Got Cracked, Chipped, or Lifted Tile?
Call Dan or Marsha
602-789-7770
Residential/Commercial
35+ Years' Experience
Licensed-Bonded-Insured
PORA

Snap Up a Deal in the Classifieds

Call or go online to browse, buy or sell!

Independent Newsmedia
CLASSIFIEDS
iniusa.org/classifieds • 888.665.3848

Floor Coverings

FLOORS & MORE
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LLC
FLOORING
Installation and Repairs
♦ Luxury Vinyl Plank
♦ Laminate ♦ Carpet
♦ Vinyl ♦ Baseboards
623-824-3472
John Brunetti
35 years' experience
Insured ~ Bonded
ROC 313488

Floor Coverings

ESP Floor Covering LLC
• Tile
• Hardwood
• Laminates
• LVT & LVP
• Carpet
Sales ~ Installation
Re-stretches's
Serving ALL the Sun Cities
Also Valley Wide
40+Yrs Exp
HOA & PORA Listed
Call Eric S. Pelletier
623-972-5388
623-329-0995
Licensed ~ Bonded ~ Insured ROC# 275244

Garage Doors

PHILLIPS OVERHEAD INC.
RESIDENTIAL GARAGE DOORS & OPENERS
Garage Door Springs Replaced
Licensed • Bonded • Insured
New Doors & Openers
• Service
• Installations • Repairs
(623) 853-3311
ROC #336907

Garage Doors

INTEGRITY GARAGE DOORS LLC
ROC 359454
FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED
Commercial/Residential
Installations & Repairs
Serving the Valley Since 1999
FREE Estimates
623-780-2687

Make Room for Change!

With the Classifieds, you can clear the clutter, earn extra cash and find great deals on the things you really want!



Rates starting at **\$20**
Call or go online to place your ad today!

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA
Celebrating 90+ Outstanding Our Communities
888.665.3848
iniusa.org/classifieds

Garage Doors

Family Owned & Operated

SAME DAY SERVICE



Bonded & Insured · Lic#300097

602-867-7111
www.apexgaragedoorandrepair.com



Call today for a FREE in-home estimate for door replacement.

FALL SPECIAL

\$400 OFF

INSULATED GARAGE DOORS

APEX GARAGE DOOR • 602-362-0561

With this coupon. Not valid with other offers or prior purchases. Expires 10-31-26.

\$140

QUIET DOOR SPECIAL

Premium Set of Nylon Rollers w/Ball Bearings

APEX GARAGE DOOR • 602-362-0561

With this coupon. Not valid with other offers or prior purchases. Expires 10-31-26.

SPRING REPAIR

HIGH CYCLE SPRINGS WITH LONGER LIFE

Safety inspection, lube and tune both the door and opener PLUS an assessment of your system.

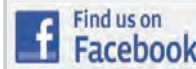
APEX GARAGE DOOR • 602-362-0561

Handyman

HANDYMAN SERVICES

- Replace Windows & Doors
- Drywall Repairs
- Kitchen/Bath Repairs
- Painting
- Mini Split A/C
- Electrical
- Remodels

High quality work
Same day response
Honest & Trustworthy
Sun City Specialist
(623)695-0961



Handyman

Final touch Painting, LLC
Home Upgrades
ROC #224907 ROC #233757
623-878-8427 Lic-Bonded
"Serving West Valley Since 1992"



And All Your Remodeling & Maintenance Needs.
Professional painting, general repairs, carpentry, drywall, texturing, counter tops, fans, laminate vinyl planks, bath vanities paint or replace. Sun City since 1993.
Free Estimates
623-878-8427
Local Contractor

Handyman



(623) 252-8422

PLUMBING | ELECTRICAL | FLOORING | HOME REPAIRS

Junk Removal

3R JUNK REMOVAL

Best Price Guarantee!
No Job Too Big or Small
Schedule Us
Call
623.698.1438
Or Online
3RJUNK.COM
AZ's Premier Junk Removal Co

SELL IT NOW

To place your ad call
888-665-3848
iniusa.org/classifieds

Junk Removal



WE HAUL JUNK!

Or Unwanted Items

- FURNITURE
- APPLIANCES
- TRASH
- DEBRIS
- BOXES
- SINGLE ITEM
- FULL CLEANOUTS

Friendly! Reliable!
Great Price!

Top Rated! 5 Stars!
Free Estimates!

602-730-4067

Junk Removal

JUNK, STUFF OR UNWANTED ITEMS?

TVs, Mattresses, Furniture, Appliances, Hot Tubs, Electronics, Garage Contents, from 1 Item to Whole Home

Call Randy now for an estimate & appointment

XPRESS JUNK REMOVAL

623-217-2115

or visit **xpressjunk.com**

Landscaping

LANDSCAPING



FIRST OPTION LANDSCAPE

DESIGN/INSTALL MAINTENANCE IRRIGATION

Turf - Pavers - Tree Service
Weeds - Cleanups - Lighting
All Major Credit Cards Accepted

623-687-6312

firstoptionlandscaping.com

ROC#344771

Join the many businesses that use our

BUSINESS & SERVICE DIRECTORY

Call us to advertise

888-665-3848
iniusa.org/classifieds

Landscaping

LIBRA LANDSCAPING & HARDSCAPING LLC
MAKE YOUR DREAMS A REALITY

Specializing in Trees
Palm Trimming
Pavers

Artificial Grass Installation,
Rock Scaping & More

FREE Estimates & Low Prices

602-762-4766 Juan
602-301-8194 Libra

Landscaping

THE REAL YARD GUY LLC
YARD MAKEOVERS

- ✦ Irrigation Repair
- ✦ Re-Rock All or Part of Your Yard.
- ✦ Yard Makeover Special!
- ✦ Tractor Services

Tim Gades For
FREE ESTIMATE

(602)418-8123

SCHOA
ROC# 244544

Landscaping

WAYNE'S LANDSCAPING

Complete Landscaping
Irrigation Systems
Maintenance
Tree Service
Deep Root Fertilizing

SUMMER SPECIAL
10% Discount With Ad

623-877-2902

ROC 153581

Licensed • Bonded • Insured

Gutters

THE GUTTER GUY LLC
5" & 6" SEAMLESS GUTTERS & LEAF FILTER SYSTEMS

Office: 602-675-0949

Doug: 480-363-3464

Cindy: 623-329-8980

FREE ESTIMATES

Licensed, Insured, Accredited

Ask About Our Senior & Military Discounts



Handyman

AFFORDABLE HANDYMAN TEAM LLC
480-244-2907

For All Your Home Repairs & Upgrades
LOWEST PRICE GUARANTEED!

FREE ESTIMATES
Licensed, Bonded, Insured
ROC# 352003

Handyman

All Aspects of Home IMPROVEMENT



Kitchen & Bath Remodels

- LVP & Laminate Flooring Installation
- Plumbing & Electrical
- Custom Crown Molding & Baseboards
- Entertainment/Media Centers

Cell phone users please include the area code when dialing

623-466-3683

ROC 221600 • Licensed/Bonded

Advertise in our Business and Service directory and connect with thousands of potential customers!

Call **888-665-3848** for details today.
iniusa.org/classifieds

See more Classified Ads from around the Valley - Online at iniusa.org/classifieds

Moving/Hauling

Off Duty Firefighters Will Move LLC
Full Service Moving Company
Local & Long Distance
Licensed Bonded Insured
Free Quotes
Meet Your Local Firefighters
623-206-2033
firefighterswillmove.com

Moving/Hauling

SUN CITIES FIREFIGHTERS MOVING

(602)401-0886
✓ Operated by Local Firefighters
✓ Packing Service Available
✓ Free In-home Estimates
✓ Full Service Moving
✓ Serving the Valley for Over 30 Years
firefighter moversaz.com

iniusa.org/classifieds
just a click away

Painting

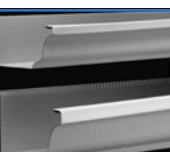
Eagle Eye Painting LLC
Interior - Exterior
* Re-Paints
* Re-Paint Kitchen Cabinets
* Drywall & Stucco Repairs
* Popcorn Removal
* Pressure Washing
Free Estimates
P.O.R.A Member
We Don't Cut Corners, We Paint Them!
(623)341-6739
Licensed Bonded Insured ROC#300239

Painting

JIMMY'S PAINTING
Interior & Exterior
1 Story Only
Block Fences
30+ Years Experience Residential
FREE Estimates
(623)206-1396


To advertise visit:
iniusa.org/classifieds

Patio Covers


• Seamless Rain Gutters
• Patio Covers & Lattices
• Roll-up Shades
• Sunscreens
FREE ESTIMATES!
CUSACK BUILDERS
Licensed, Bonded, Insured
ROC #317804
602-469-6810
30+ Yrs. Experience

Plumbing

DON JONES PLUMBING
INSTALLATION • REPAIR
Replacement of
• Sewers • Toilets
• Faucets
• Water Heaters
• Garbage Disposals
623-670-8060
Licensed Bonded Insured • BBB
Roc# 272507

Plumbing

RELIANT PLUMBING & ROOTER
High Quality Plumbing Svc & 24 Hr Emergency Service!
15% Discount for Seniors & Military
Pipe Leak Repair • Fixture Installs • Hydro Jetting • Roto Rooter • Camera Inspections
Trenchless Pipe Bursting • Sewer Lining
\$37 ANY DRAIN UNCLOG OR IT'S FREE!
FREE ESTIMATES for WATER LEAK REPAIR & REPIPER
\$37 DRAIN Unclog Special!
Locally & Family Owned
602-888-7060
www.reliantplumbingandrooter.com
*TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY. OFFERS CANNOT BE COMBINED
LICENSED • BONDED • INSURED • ROC 353346

Get Results

Advertise Today!
Call
888-665-3848

Powerwashing


Barb's Power Washing
• Home Exterior
• Patios
• Walk Ways
• Garages
41 Yrs. In Business
623-521-4196
Bonded & Insured

Remodeling

SUN CITY'S DESIGN & REMODELING TEAM
Kitchens - Bathrooms - Remodeling - Additions
Visit our Showroom
South of Bank of America off Boswell Blvd & Bell Rd
**RENEWED LIFE PROPERTIES**
Call us for a FREE consultation
623-439-2282
www.renewedlifeproperties.com

Remodeling

ALBRECHT AND SON LLC
Painting and Bath and Kitchen Remodeling
Serving Since 1989

YOUR FULL-SERVICE REMODELING SPECIALISTS
INTERIOR & EXTERIOR PAINTING
DRYWALL REPAIRS AND TEXTURES
POPCORN REMOVAL
CUSTOM CABINET PAINTING
STAIN & REFINISH
BATHROOM REMODEL
KITCHEN REMODEL
COUNTERTOP QUARTZ & GRANITE
DOORS WINDOWS & TRIM BASEBOARDS
CROWN MOLDING
FULL INTERIOR REMODELING
PLUMBING
ELECTRICAL
AND MUCH MORE
TRUE WORRY-FREE REMODEL!
623-933-4312
We Bring Design Into Your Home!
WWW.ALBRECHTANDSON.COM
Listed HOA/PORA
11126 W. Wisconsin Ave., #5
Youngtown, AZ
Licensed • Bonded • Insured
ROC# 1158250 • 48002

OPEN 24 HOURS
Open late. Click thru.
Now you can go online to place your classified ad.
Plus, you can go online to view even more classified ads.
iniusa.org/classifieds
Easy & Quick... Just Type & Click - The Way to Sell!

Remodeling

TRU Builders
AZ ROC Licenses
275722 & 361072
DESIGN, BUILD, REMODEL

(623) 546-8681
trubuildersaz.com


Check Us Out **ONLINE!**
Independent Newsmedia
iniusa.org/classifieds

Roofing

ROOFING REPAIRS

30 Years Quality Experience
• Shingle & Tile Roofs
• Insurance Work
• Free Estimates
602-810-3355
Licensed - Bonded
Insured - ROC# 194699

Roofing

Weatherproof LLC
(800) 230-5341 (480) 823-1138
Senior Discounts
Family Owned & Operated
Free Evaluation
★ New Roofs-Roofing Repair
Shingle, Tile, Flat & Foam Roofs
★ Turbine Vent Replacement
★ Exterior House Painting
We Fix Roof Leaks!
ROC #317976 ROC #317977

Roofing

YORK ROOFING & PAINTING LLC
Specializing in Repairs & Replacements
Roof Repairs • Roof Replacements • Flat Roofs Coatings • Tile • Shingles Foam Roofing • Mobile Home & Patio Roofs
Turbine Repairs • House Painting • Water Proofing • Roof Tiles • Roof Shingles
John York - Owner/Operator
602-705-5209
Licensed - Bonded - Insured
ROC #188602 #327991, #327992, #327993
Senior & Military Discounts
FREE ESTIMATES

Roofing



We Make YOUR Priorities OURS

- Residential - Commercial
- Roof Replacement & Repair
- Shingle, Tile, Foam, Coating, Flat & TPO Roofing

**CALL TODAY FOR A
FREE ESTIMATE!**

Locations in Glendale and Sun City West

602-761-6591

ROC #324307



Spa Services

Absolutely Chic Skin Care Inc.



Assisted Stretching
ON SALE NOW

Performed by a certified
stretching and flexibility coach
Move better • Feel better
Release tension & improve mobility

SKIN CARE FACIAL
on sale now for **\$79**
Normally \$95

SEE ALL OUR SPECIALS
ON THE WEBSITE
absolutelychicskincare.com/specials

Call to book:
623-594-3546

Also check out our other spa specials at
www.absolutelychicskincare.com

Tree Removal

**BENNETT
TREE SERVICE**

Professional
Arborist Tree
Care

- *Trimming
- *Removals
- *Stump Grinding

Fully Insured
FREE Estimates
SENIOR
Discounts

623-204-1225

Join the many
businesses that use our

**BUSINESS
&
SERVICE
DIRECTORY**

Call us to advertise
888-665-3848
inusa.org/classifieds

**LET
THEM
KNOW
WHO
YOU
ARE
TODAY**

**& GET
RESULTS
TOMORROW**

To Advertise call

888-665-3848

Be a Civility Advocate!



Civility Checklist

*How to engage in respectful, honest
& civil dialogue about public issues*

- ☐ **Take the high road.** Respond to the topic — not the person. Refrain from demonizing others for their opinions. Assume those you disagree with are, like you, genuinely interested in improving the community.
- ☐ **Be respectful.** Bullying, public humiliation, insults, name-calling, harassment, and threats directed at another person — or that person's race, gender, religion, ethnicity, etc. — have no place in civil discussions. Find ways to respectfully disagree without questioning someone's character or motives.
- ☐ **Be truthful.** Base your opinions/arguments on facts. Value honesty. Make only accurate statements when making your point and avoid exaggeration and stereotypes. When appropriate, cite your sources of information that others may question.
- ☐ **Don't misrepresent.** Always identify your opinions as opinions (not stating opinions as facts). Never misrepresent the views of others or falsely claim your opinions represent someone else. If quoting the words of others, identify and credit the source.
- ☐ **Listen & learn.** It's both polite and respectful to listen to those we disagree with (as well as those we support) and be genuine in our attempts to understand their point of view. Expand your mind by thoughtfully seeking out views that don't agree with your own.
- ☐ **Look for common ground.** When disagreeing with others, look for even small areas of agreement — which can be the gateway to working together for the greater good.
- ☐ **Respect privacy.** Keep private things private — whether it involves your own information or those with whom you disagree. Revealing private information about someone else is rude, unethical, potentially harmful and, in many cases, illegal.
- ☐ **Set a good example.** Practice civil behavior online as well as in public and in your interaction with others. Encourage others to practice these civil behaviors. And it's OK to challenge disrespectful behavior — but be courteous, respectful and helpful in your approach.



*Now that you've read the checklist, take
the Civility Pledge at [yourvalley.net/
civility-pledge](http://yourvalley.net/civility-pledge).*



High Quality Plumbing Svc & 24 Hr Emergency Service!

Pipe Leak Repair • Fixture Installs • Hydro Jetting • Roto Rooter
Camera Inspections • Trenchless Pipe Bursting • Sewer Lining

\$37 ANY DRAIN
UNCLOG
OR IT'S **FREE!***

UP TO
15% **SENIOR &**
MILITARY
DISCOUNT*

FREE
2ND OPINION/ESTIMATE*

FREE ESTIMATES
for
WATER LEAK REPAIR & REPIPIES

Locally & Family Owned

602-888-7060
www.reliantplumbingandrooter.com

\$37 DRAIN
UNCLOG
SPECIAL!

***TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY. OFFERS CANNOT BE COMBINED • LICENSED • BONDED • INSURED • ROC 353346**