



Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport ranks third in customer satisfaction

By Mark Carlisle
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport ranked third among the nation's largest airports in a recent customer satisfaction study by JD Power.

"Really proud of the team and all of our business partners to help us continue to stay really high on the satisfaction ratings and surveys that happen," Phoenix Aviation Director Chad Makovsky told the Phoenix Aviation Advisory Board on Thursday, Oct. 15.

Phoenix Sky Harbor scored 642 out of a possible 1,000 points. The only two "mega" airports — 33 million or more annual passengers — that ranked higher were Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport in first with 684 points and Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport in second with 663 points.

The average score for mega air-

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Partners That Heal connects dementia patients and family members through improv

By Mark Carlisle
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When young family members come to visit their relatives at Hospice of the Valley's Dementia Care and Education Campus, it can be uncomfortable to interact with a family member who may not recognize them or remember who they are.

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Partners That Heal improv actors perform in a patient's room. (The Phoenix Theatre Company)





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COMMUNITY NEWS

PHOENIX

Phoenix woman's wait for intestine shows US organ transplant system's complexity

By Lauran Neergaard
ASSOCIATED PRESS

A car crash destroyed Katherine Screws' small intestine, leaving her unable to eat, dependent on IV nutrition and often too sick to get out of bed.

But the Phoenix woman clung to her hospital's prediction that she could get an intestine transplant in about six months.

That was way off. She wouldn't get one until three years after the crash.

It could have been longer if not for an unusual meeting with an organ procurement organization, or OPO, that taught the frustrated Screws how hospitals vary in which organs they accept or refuse — and she flew across the country for a better chance.

"I wish that there was more clarity with patients about when is an organ coming up that could be a match for you and why is it not a match," said Screws, who received a transplant at her new hospital in just weeks.

She wishes she had asked sooner, "What is the thing that's holding this up?"

Screws' journey shows how the transplant system often struggles to inform patients about options that can be incredibly difficult to navigate on their own.

Among them are where to seek care, whether to get on multiple hospitals' transplant lists, and how to discuss if you'd accept a less-than-perfect organ rather than continue waiting. And in the background, viable organs can be wasted. About 1 in 5 donated organs go unused, usually because a recipient wasn't found in time.

For kidney transplants, the most common type, a large study found "there's about a 16-fold variation in how quickly a patient will get transplanted at one center versus another," said Dr. Syed Ali Husain of NYU Langone Health, who researches such differences.



Katherine Screws

One reason is that some surgeons have more experience than others using kidneys with complex anatomy like extra arteries, or those from older, sicker donors that still may be better than dialysis for the right patient, he said.

There's far less information about rare types of transplants like the intestine, which is biologically more difficult to handle than some other organs.

"We offer them but they're declined so often that it's demoralizing," said Lisa Stocks of California's OneLegacy, one of the nation's largest OPOs, who showed the data to Screws.

Screws was one of just 88 people in the U.S. to receive a new intestine last year, compared with more than 27,000 kidney transplants.

Whatever the organ, most patients don't know what to ask, said Dr. Allyson Hart of Minnesota's Hennepin Healthcare Research Institute.

She helped design tools for a new patient-friendly online database that can help people compare waiting times and other characteristics of different transplant hospitals.

Too many patients think "they just needed to wait for five years and they would get transplanted," Hart said,

when often "that's actually not what happens."

Transplants are on the rise

With just over 49,000 transplants performed in the U.S. last year, more people than ever are getting new organs.

That's mostly thanks to over a decade of increases in donations from the deceased, recovered by OPOs that act as a bridge to transplant hospitals.

But about 100,000 people are awaiting a transplant, the vast majority of whom need a kidney. There's growing pressure to retrieve and use more donated organs, even as donor registrations recently dipped and an aging population means organs increasingly come from older, sicker donors.

And the government is in the midst of a yearslong overhaul of the transplant system.

One pending move threatens to close some of the nation's 55 OPOs under a controversial grading system that holds them accountable for the number of organs they procure and how many are transplanted — the latter, they argue, being out of their control because surgeons decide when an organ is right for their patient.

Some, including OneLegacy, are part of lawsuits seeking to block such closures.

Regulators also grade hospitals, and Husain said some of the reluctance to use less-than-perfect organs has long stemmed from concern about getting a lower score if even a few of them fail.

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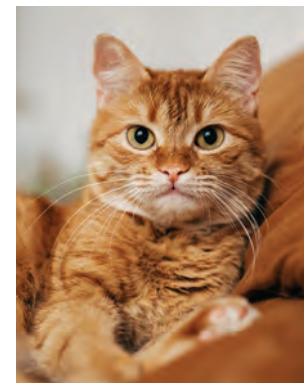
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ARTS

Phoenix Symphony to suspend season, lay off musicians**By Steve Stockmar**
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Phoenix Symphony will suspend the remainder of its 2026-27 season following its Nov. 1 performance, citing a financial shortfall that has left the organization unable to meet its operating obligations.

The Symphony's board of directors announced the decision Tuesday, saying the suspension will affect musicians, employees, subscribers and community programs. Unpaid layoffs of musicians will begin Nov. 2. The organization has not announced when performances might resume.

Despite increased ticket sales and philanthropic support, the symphony has struggled with persistent operating deficits and mounting financial obligations, according to a press release.

Annual revenues increased more than 50% between fiscal years 2023 and 2026, while approximately \$766,000 in administrative expenses have been eliminated. The organization also launched its CRESCENDO endowment campaign in April 2025 with a \$60 million fundraising goal, although most endowment contributions cannot be used for daily operations.

"This is the most difficult decision this Board has faced, and we did not make it lightly," Board Chairman Mo Stein shared in the Tuesday statement.

Stein said continuing performances without sufficient cash flow would further jeopardize the organization's future. The board plans to reassess operating expenses, revenue projections and fundraising needs while developing a financial restructuring plan.

Founded in 1947, the Phoenix



The Phoenix Symphony, pictured here with conductor Paolo Bortolameolli, announced Tuesday that it is suspending the remainder of its 2026-27 season following its Nov. 1 performance. (Photo by Tavits Photography, provided by Phoenix Symphony)

Symphony has been a fixture in Arizona's cultural community for nearly eight decades, performing at Symphony Hall and other Valley venues with internationally recognized conductors and guest artists. Its concerts, educational offerings and community programs have reached thousands of residents annually.

President and CEO Peter Kjome

acknowledged the consequences for musicians, staff and audiences, saying the organization would pursue opportunities to preserve the institution.

The Phoenix Symphony will perform live alongside Ballet Arizona during its Oct. 22-25 production of "Romeo & Juliet," as originally scheduled, according to a statement from Ballet Arizona. Click here for

tickets.

"When musicians and dancers share a stage, every performance becomes a conversation that can never be repeated in quite the same way," Ballet Arizona Artistic Director Daniela Cardim shared in a Tuesday statement. "My heart is heavy for the fellow artists and colleagues at The Phoenix Symphony who have played alongside our dancers."

The symphony will notify subscribers and other ticket purchasers about options for affected performances once arrangements are finalized.

The timing of any return remains uncertain and will depend on securing adequate financial support and establishing a sustainable operating budget, the press release further notes.

Updates will be posted at phoenix-symphony.org/updates.

TRANSIT

Phoenix public transit changes begin Oct. 26

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Beginning Monday, Oct. 26, riders will see transit service changes across the Valley, including expanded weekday RAPID service, the launch of the PHXLink microtransit pilot in Phoenix and schedule adjustments to several Valley Metro routes.

Phoenix Public Transit will launch PHXLink, a new on-demand, shared-ride microtransit pilot connecting riders to local destinations and other transit services. Riders can book a trip through the PHXLink mobile app or by phone and meet their vehicle at a nearby virtual stop.

Trips within the PHXLink service zones are \$2.

Weekday service will expand on the I-10 West RAPID and I-17 RAPID routes, with inbound and

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Riders board a city of Phoenix bus. Beginning Monday, Oct. 26, riders will see transit service changes across the Valley, including expanded weekday RAPID service, the launch of the PHXLink microtransit pilot in Phoenix and schedule adjustments to several Valley Metro routes. (Submitted by the City of Phoenix)

Changes

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outbound trips available throughout the day from 5 a.m.-7 p.m. The expanded service provides riders with more travel options beyond traditional commute times.

Beginning Monday, Oct. 26, reduced fare will also be available for eligible riders on RAPID and Express routes.

Reduced-fare Copper Card holders or app users will not need to take any action as their accounts will be updated automatically. Learn more at valleymetro.org/fares.

Additional routes with schedule adjustments include:

1, 3, 10, 12, 13, 17, 19, 35, 43, 45, 61, 75, 80, 81, 83, 90, 96, 108, 122, 136, 138, 140, 154, 156, 184, 186, 514, 521, 522, 531, 533, 535, 542, 562, 563, 571, 573, South Mountain West RAPID, SR 51 RAPID, and Valley Metro Rail B Line.

Riders are encouraged to check their routes and schedules online or in the Valley Metro app. To view all service changes, visit valleymetro.org/servicechanges.

ANIMAL ADOPTIONS

HALO Animal Rescue to close Phoenix location, move to Glendale

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

After 32 years of helping homeless pets while operating from leased facilities, HALO Animal Rescue is preparing to move into its first permanent home: a newly purchased three-acre campus in Glendale.

HALO's current main shelter at 3227 E. Bell Road in Phoenix will close to the public beginning Friday, Oct. 23, as the organization transitions its operations to the new campus at 7150 N. 110th Ave., Glendale. The new shelter is scheduled to open to the public on Saturday, Nov. 7.

HALO's Deer Valley PetSmart Charities Everyday Adoption Center will remain open and continue adoptions throughout the transition. HALO's Thrift Boutique will also remain at its current Phoenix location and operate during regular business hours. Neither location is moving or closing as part of the relocation.

The move marks one of the most significant

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A couple poses with the dog they adopted at HALO Animal Rescue. The nonprofit plans to close its Phoenix location on Friday, Oct. 23 and move to a larger Glendale location on Saturday, Nov. 7. (Submitted by HALO Animal Rescue)

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HALO

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milestones in HALO's history, giving the nonprofit a permanent home from which to continue its lifesaving mission for generations to come.

"After 32 years of operating from leased spaces, having a place to finally call our own is truly a dream come true," stated Heather Allen, HALO Animal Rescue President and CEO, in a news release. "This move is about so much more than a new address. It's about creating a permanent home where we can continue giving homeless animals the care, compassion and second chances they deserve. We're excited to bring our community along as we transform this property into the Furever Home we've always envisioned."

The Glendale campus will provide dedicated areas for dog and cat housing, medical care, animal intake and rehabilitation, outdoor play yards, a maternity ward, adoption services and community education. The property gives HALO the opportunity to create improved environments for animals while providing welcoming spaces for adopters, volunteers and community members.

The campus will open in phases, with renovations and improvements continuing after November 7. Community support will help fund the remaining work, including improvements to animal housing, outdoor enrichment areas, and essential infrastructure. HALO is inviting supporters to help complete the transformation and build a lasting home for its mission.

Located in the growing West Valley, the new facility will strengthen HALO's presence in a community with an increasing need for animal welfare resources.

HALO asks the public for patience and understanding during the temporary closure as staff and

volunteers safely relocate animals, equipment and daily operations. The organization looks forward to welcoming adopters, supporters, and the community to its new Furever Home beginning Nov. 7.

AWARD

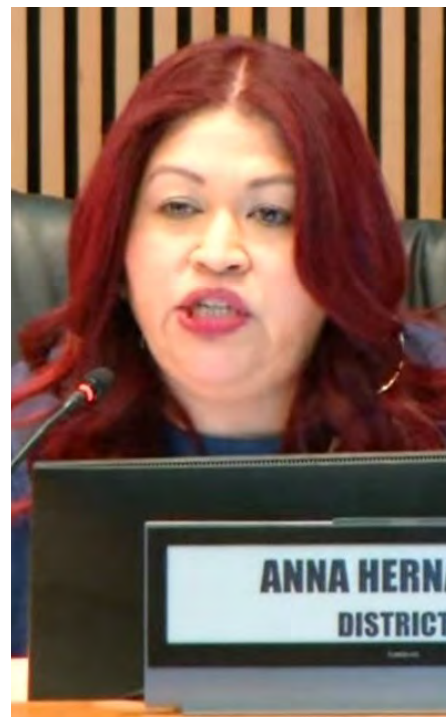
Phoenix councilwoman honored with national award

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

City of Phoenix Councilwoman Anna Hernandez received an award from the National Homelessness Law Center as part of the 2026 Human Right to Housing Awards Oct. 14 in Washington D.C.

Hernandez received the non-partisan Local Legislator Award for her advocacy for housing justice, public health, and community-driven solutions in Phoenix, and for her leadership against the criminalization of homelessness.

The NHLHC cited her role as the



Phoenix District 7 Councilmember Anna Hernandez received an award from the National Homelessness Law Center as part of the 2026 Human Right to Housing Awards Oct. 14 in Washington D.C. (Submitted by the City of Phoenix)

sole Council opponent of the City's "Safe Medical Treatment in Parks" ordinance, first introduced in December 2025, and the wave of community engagement her opposition helped spark.

"Caring for one another should never be illegal. It should be the foundation of how we govern," Hernandez said in a release. "I stood against that ordinance because punishing people for being unhoused and criminalizing people for struggling with mental health or addiction doesn't end homelessness, and doesn't address root causes of systemic housing crises."

LIBRARY

See which name won the vote for Phoenix's new library branch

By Mark Carlisle

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The public vote is in for the new Phoenix Public Library branch at the Estrella Civic Space.

Manzanita was the winner of a public poll to name the library, Phoenix Public Library spokesperson Lee Franklin told Independent Newsmedia on Oct. 8.

The name will be presented to the Phoenix Library Advisory Board at its next meeting. It will still need to be approved by the Phoenix Heritage Commission and is planned to go to Phoenix City Council for final approval on Wednesday, Nov. 18.

The city aims to start construction on the library in the 2027-28 fiscal year.

Manzanita beat out four other names in the survey: Cliffrose, Creosote, Jojoba and Senita. Phoenix Public Library policy established in the 1960s is to name all library branches after desert flora. The poll was open Monday, Aug. 31 through Friday, Oct. 2.

The Estrella Civic Space is a mas-



A child reads a book at a Phoenix Public Library branch. The public vote is in for the new Phoenix Public Library branch at the Estrella Civic Space. (Submitted by Phoenix Public Library)

ter planned area under development northeast of 99th Avenue and Lower Buckeye Road.

It already has a police station and fire station built. Aside from the library, the master plan includes plans for a park with soccer and softball fields and Public Works Department buildings.

The Phoenix Public Library has another planned library branch at the Desert View Civic Space, southwest of Tatum Boulevard and Deer Valley Drive. That library is planned to start construction in the 2028-29 fiscal year.

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FROM THE COVER



A Partners That Heal improv actor gives a first bump to a young patient. (The Phoenix Theatre Company)

Improv

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“For children and their families, it can be a traumatic experience and awkward,” said Marisa Butler, director of development for The Phoenix Theatre Company.

That’s where The Phoenix Theatre Company comes in.

The Phoenix Theatre Company’s Partners That Heal program helps brighten the day of child and elderly patients through improv. The program visits children’s hospitals, child crisis facilities and elder communities and performs improv where the patients are lifted up as the heroes of the story that the improvisational actors makes up on the spot, with the patient getting to steer the direction of the story.

“It brings joy, comfort and relief to these families whose children have

been in the hospital for long periods,” Butler told the Phoenix Economic Development and Arts Subcommittee on Wednesday.

Partners That Heal has recently expanded to Hospice of the Valley’s Dementia Care and Education Campus, helping to bridge that awkward gap between young family members and an older relative who may not remember them.

“The partners go in and they create songs and movement and skits and stories that connect and provide an opportunity for them to interact and connect with each other,” Butler said.

The impact of Partners That Heal can be felt even on subsequent visit when the partners are not there, Butler said.

“The amazing thing is that when the kids are coming back to visit their family members, even if the patients don’t exactly know who they are, they start doing the movements, they start doing the gestures, and they remember the connection through the



Partners That Heal improv performers perform a song with a Ryan House patient on a playground. (The Phoenix Theatre Company)

song and the improvisational techniques,” she said.

Subcommittee Chair Kevin Robinson said he had spoken to Debbie Shumway, CEO of Hospice of the Valley.

“[She] cannot say enough nice things about the program that you guys have over there,” Robinson said.

Councilmember Ann O’Brien thanked Butler and other representatives of the city’s performing arts programs for presenting in front of

the subcommittee.

“It’s incredibly important for us to understand the rich culture of our city and you all help to make it even more rich,” she said. “And I’m incredibly honored to hear that out into the community, that we don’t just expect the community to come here.”

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Marisa Butler



Kevin Robinson



Ann O'Brien

FROM THE COVER



Passengers walk through the terminal at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. (Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport)

Study

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ports in 2026 was 617. The lowest scorers were Newark Liberty International in New Jersey and Chicago O'Hare International Airport with 585 points each.



Chad Makovsky

The top three has remained the same on the annual survey for the past three years. While in third place each time, Phoenix Sky Harbor outscored its marks of 633 and 634 points in 2024 and 2025, respectively.

"Key factors to the successful ranking for our airport included navigability and infrastructure, sense of place and overall passenger experience," Makovsky said.

Phoenix shot up in the rankings to enter the top three in 2024, when JD Power redesigned its grading rubric. Prior to that, Sky Harbor had ranked 11th in 2022 and 13th in 2023, below the average score for

mega airports each time.

The 2026 JD Power study is based on 24,710 completed surveys from U.S. or Canadian residents who traveled through at least one U.S. or Canadian airport and covers both departure and arrival experiences as well as connecting airports. Surveys were collected July 2025-July 2026.

JD Power also found that customer satisfaction influenced how much a customer was willing to spend. Passengers who rated their airport experience as "perfect" spent an average of \$47.60 in the terminal.

That is \$20.22 more than passengers who rate their airport experience as "just OK." Perfect experiences are rare, however, occurring in just 12% of journeys through the airport.

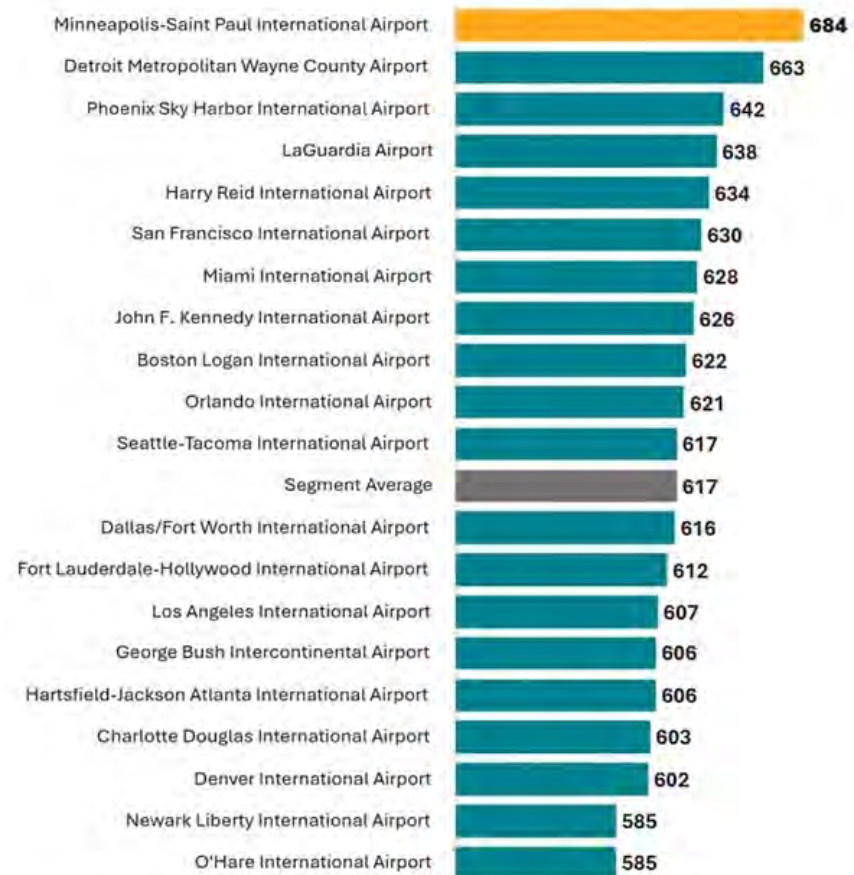
Since JD Power redesigned its grading rubric in 2024, the average score for each of the three categories — mega, large and medium airports — has increased each year.

Airports across the country

JD Power 2026 North America Airport Satisfaction StudySM

Overall Customer Satisfaction Index Ranking
(Based on a 1,000-point scale)

MEGA AIRPORTS



Source: JD Power 2026 North America Airport Satisfaction StudySM

This graph shows the rankings among mega airports — 33 million or more annual passengers — in JD Power's 2026 North America Airport Satisfaction Study. (Submitted by JD Power)

have been undertaking large construction projects to do things like streamline passenger flow, add attractive food and beverage options.

"On the whole, those efforts are finally starting to pay off in the form of higher overall passenger satisfaction scores," stated Michael Tay-

lor, JD Power's managing director of travel, hospitality and retail in a news release announcing the 2026 study results.

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PHOENIX BUSINESS

NEWS

Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport to add seven new routes

By Mark Carlisle
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport is planning seven new airline routes, with some starting as soon as next month.

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Phoenix Aviation Director Chad Makovsky reported the new routes to the Phoenix Aviation Ad-

visory Board on Thursday, Oct. 15.

He also noted that STARLUX Airlines is increasing its flight frequency to Taipei, Taiwan, from four to five flights weekly.

"It's a good sign that we're seeing growth in the Asian market," Makovsky said.

Makovsky said he was able to talk to the two airlines that fly out of Phoenix to Asia recently, STARLUX and China Airlines.

"They're very pleased with the demand for their services here in our market, so we're happy to see that," he said.

MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT

Long-vacant One Camelback tower is now open

PHOENIX — For years, One Camelback has stood at the center of one of Phoenix's busiest intersections, its glass facade and dramatic silhouette impossible to miss.

But while the tower had all the makings of an Uptown landmark, its transformation into apartments stalled before it could become part of daily life in the neighborhood.

That has now changed.

One Camelback welcomed its first residents on Tuesday, Oct. 2, transforming the long-stalled former office tower into a 163-residence apartment community in the heart of Uptown Phoenix.

The response has come early: 20% of the building has already been leased sight unseen, a signal that Phoenix renters are ready for a home with real architectural personality and a front-row seat to one of the city's most connected neighborhoods. "This building had been sitting there with so much potential, and we knew it was time to get it across the finish line," stated TK Stratton, developer and principal of Kinella Capital, LLC, in a news release.

"We are not just opening apartments. We are bringing this corner of Phoenix back to life, with people living here, meeting friends, supporting local businesses and becoming part of the neighborhood."



An artist's rendering of One Camelback tower once it is fully occupied. (Submitted by Courtesy Kinella Capital, LLC)

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RESTAURANTS

New Little Caesars location to open Saturday in Paradise Valley neighborhood

On Saturday, Oct. 24, Little Caesars will celebrate the grand opening of its newest restaurant in Phoenix, located at 4731 E. Greenway Road, with a special community celebration.

Beginning at 10:30 a.m., the first 100 guests in line will receive Free Pizza for a Year with the purchase of Crazy Bread.

To extend the excitement beyond opening day, guests may redeem a free Large Classic Pizza with the purchase of any Non-Classic Pizza when ordering online or through the Little Caesars app, from this location only, using promo code GRANDOPENING, now through Sunday, Nov. 22.

From 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24, guests are invited to enjoy a variety of activities

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A Southwest Airlines plane takes off from Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport on Oct. 3, 2025. (Independent Newsmedia/Mark Carlisle)

SPONSORED CONTENT

Fiesta Sports Foundation Names Banks Shepherd as Vice President, Partnerships

Veteran Sports Executive to Boost Sales for Fiesta Sports Foundation's Year-Round Programming of Live Events and Community Impact

As Fiesta Sports Foundation launches a new premium, enterprise tier of corporate partnerships and elevates its position as a year-round live events and community impact organization, it has added Banks Shepherd in the newly-created position of vice president of partnerships.



**Banks
Shepherd**

Consistent with the evolving landscape in college football and the organization's mission to drive state-wide community impact through meaningful partnerships, Shepherd will play a pivotal role in advancing Fiesta Sports Foundation's efforts to cultivate mutually beneficial relationships with key industry and community stakeholders.

He will lead the strategy and ex-

ecution of impactful corporate partnerships and activation programs, identify and pursue new partnership opportunities for the organization's year-round portfolio of events and community engagement, and serve as a dedicated resource for the Foundation's current partners, ensuring their investments continue to deliver value. Shepherd will also help elevate the Foundation's overall partnership efforts as it supports the philanthropic endeavors of Fiesta Sports Foundation, including its signature Wishes for Teachers initiative, AED Assistance Program and nonprofit grants program.

"Banks Shepherd's experiences in identifying new partners and building programs from scratch will help create impactful alliances and drive revenue growth for Fiesta Sports Foundation's new era," said Fiesta Sports Foundation Executive Director & CEO Erik Moses.

"Banks' appointment emphasizes our commitment to deliver unparalleled value to current and future partners by identifying new opportunities for organizational alignment and mutual benefit."

ing with a ribbon-cutting ceremony alongside the local Little Caesars team and community members.

As part of the ceremony, Little Caesars franchisee and military veteran Kenny Jolly will present a \$10,000 donation to U.S.VETS.

Editor's note: The above was republished from a Little Caesars news release.

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and entertainment, including a photo booth, live DJ, prize wheel giveaways, photo opportunities with the Little Caesars mascot and more.

At 11:30 a.m., the Phoenix Little Caesars will mark its official open-

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Governor critical of opponents to water purification program

By Howard Fischer
CAPITOL MEDIA SERVICES

SCOTTSDALE — Gov. Katie Hobbs is lashing out at those who are trying to undermine plans for what some call a “toilet to tap” system of converting waste into drinking water.

The governor’s comments come as the question of whether cities should pursue programs to produce purified water from what has been sewage has become an election issue in at least one Arizona city. There, a candidate is running on a platform to kill the program, even making a campaign video featuring some brown-looking liquid and telling viewers that is what they are being asked to drink.

“It’s irresponsible to spread the kind of misinformation that’s being spread about technology that we need to continue into the future,” the governor said after speaking at an event to promote work done by a program at Arizona State University tasked with finding new sources of water and conserving what the state has.

And Hobbs took a poke at those who believe that what they are drinking right now is pure and untouched.

“The fact is, most of the water that we get out of our taps in Phoenix comes out of the Colorado River,” she said.

“I don’t know if you’ve been to the river at any time,” she said. “But people recreate in there.”

More to the point, the governor said, that river water goes through a purification process before it comes out of the faucet.

“This is no different,” she said of what is known as “advanced water purification,” though the process — approved by the state Department of Water Quality — is far more intense and involves more steps including additional filtering.

Hobbs was speaking Wednesday during a formal celebration of the Arizona Water Innovation Initiative. That program, operating out of Arizona State University, is designed to work with communities, industrial users, farmers and others to find new ways to help the state’s water supply, from augmentation and desalination to conservation and reuse.

“We’ve taken action to get Arizona businesses the tools they need to grow alternative water supplies so they don’t have to depend on ground-



Gov. Katie Hobbs speaks at a press conference in January. Hobbs is lashing out at those trying to undermine plans for what some call a “toilet to tap” system of converting waste into drinking water. (Capitol Media Services/Howard Fischer)

water,” Hobbs said of the work being done there. And she said it is why Arizona is “on the forefront of water-management solutions.”

“It’s why I invested \$40 million into the AWII,” she told those in attendance at the event.

Only thing is, it wasn’t Hobbs who put that money into the program. It was her predecessor, Doug Ducey, who set aside COVID relief dollars in November 2022.

So why did the governor, in the middle of her reelection effort, make that claim?

“I don’t know the answer,” she said when asked after the event.

After she left, some of her advisers sought to justify the claim.

“All of the work and the decisions that were made were made under the Hobbs administration,” said Jennifer Loredo, one of the governor’s policy advisers. And Patrick Adams, Hobbs’ senior adviser for water policy, said while the money actually was allocated by Ducey — one of a series of COVID grants he awarded in the last

weeks of his administration — said “there wasn’t a water innovation initiative as a name.”

But that, too, is untrue: The 2022 press release from ASU said the university “will lead a multi-year Arizona Water Innovation Initiative to provide immediate, actionable and evidence-based solutions to ensure that Arizona will continue to thrive with a secure future water supply.”

And it credited Ducey for providing the funds.

Still, Loredo said it was the Hobbs administration that sat down with ASU to work out “what are some of the priorities.”

And Loredo had yet one more reason she believes her boss can take credit.

She pointed out Hobbs, after taking office, rescinded about \$210 million in grants of COVID dollars that Ducey had doled out in his last days in office.

That involved 19 grants to 16 organizations given out between Dec. 30 and Jan. 1. An attorney for Hobbs said at the time that those last-minute grants were illegal because Ducey had not used a competitive bidding process.

By contrast, Loredo noted, Hobbs left the AWII grant in place.

“We saw this as a good investment,” she said.

But the funding wasn’t one of those last-minute grants: The announcement came Nov. 16, 2022.

Regardless of who gets credit, what is clear is that one of the subjects this program is designed to address goes straight to the heart of the debate about recycling. And it comes as some Arizona communities already are looking at the possibility of using treated effluent given the multi-year drought and cuts in water from the Colorado River.

State officials have done what they can to tamp down that “toilet to tap” phrase, something they conceded is designed to eliminate the “ick” factor of the idea that something flushed down the toilet could end up back in the drinking water supply days later.

Initially it was being promoted under the more sanitized name of “direct potable reuse.” But the Department of Environmental Quality, which has oversight of the regulations, finally opted for “advanced water purification.”

ELECTION 2026

Hobbs outspending Biggs in latest campaign finance reports for governor's race

By Howard Fischer
CAPITOL MEDIA SERVICES

PHOENIX — At least \$34 million has been spent to get Katie Hobbs a second term as governor.

That's what clearly can be identified from newly filed campaign finance report.

But the actual number is more. Probably a lot more.

And the reason is that Hobbs and her supporters are using a system of multiple campaign accounts to funnel money into advertising promoting her candidacy and urging voters to reject Andy Biggs, her Republican foe.

More to the point, millions of dollars are being transferred back and forth among her own committees as well as others run by the Democratic Party. And that makes it difficult, if not impossible, to trace every dollar and eliminate duplications.

The dollars are a little easier to track on the Republican side.

GOP nominee Andy Biggs, who has only a single committee, listed his spending at more than \$5.2 million.

But that's just a small slice of the money being spent to get him elected. He also has been helped by more than \$20 million spent by others — mainly Turning Point PAC, with ads either people to vote for him or against Hobbs.

What we do know about spending on behalf of the governor is that the latest report filed by her Elect Katie Hobbs Committee shows it has spent nearly \$17.8 million on her reelection.

But the same people who operate her official campaign also run Copper

State Values.

That's a political action committee which is specifically set up to take large donations, beyond what individuals can give, as well as funds from PACS set up by corporations and labor unions. And some \$9.5 million has flowed through there, like \$1 million from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees and \$800,000 from the United Brotherhood of Carpenters.

And then there is another \$6.3 million collected by the Katie Hobbs Victory Fund, yet another political action committee, which takes both individual and direct corporate money.

But in both cases, most of the dollars collected are transferred to yet other committees. And the big player here is the Navajo County Democratic Committee which is being used by the state party to collect donations and make expenses, not just on behalf of Hobbs but also for other Democratic candidates.

One big reason is that candidates can't accept individual donations of more than \$5,500. And they definitely can't take corporate money.

But the party can. And then it can use those funds to run its own ads touting its candidates using those dollars.

In this case, the Navajo County Democratic Committee lists more than \$33.2 million in expenses, including more than \$21 million on broadcast advertising.

But that does not break down how much of that went into TV ads now appearing which are specifically designed to promote Hobbs' candidacy and criticize Biggs.

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OPINIONS

ELECTION 2026

Harder understands Phoenix Council District 4

Having known Ashley Harder for many years, one of the things that first connected us was a shared passion for historic preservation.

I noticed Ashley's work when she completed an early redevelopment project in the F.Q. Story Historic Neighborhood. What impressed me was the way she approached adaptive reuse: respecting the character of an existing building while giving it a new purpose.

That may sound simple, but anyone who has spent time working in historic preservation knows it is not. Phoenix is growing rapidly and the challenge is not choosing between growth and preservation. It's finding ways to accommodate change while protecting the neighborhoods, buildings and character that make our city unique.

Over the years, I've watched Ashley bring that same approach to projects throughout Phoenix. She understands that redevelopment does not have to erase what came before. Done thoughtfully, it can strengthen neighborhoods, support small businesses and breathe new life into places that might otherwise be lost.

As past president of the F.Q. Story Preservation Association and a long-time resident, I know that historic preservation is not a singular issue. The concerns of residential and commercial historic preservation are different. Phoenix's historic neighborhoods are at the foundation of its downtown resurgence with continuity and character that other cities envy. Ashley understands this well.

As a former vice-chair and steering committee member of the Downtown Voices Coalition, I'm very

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familiar with central city's challenges including housing, sustainability, transportation, redevelopment and neighborhood revitalization. These complex issues require thoughtful leaders willing to listen and work collaboratively toward practical solutions.

That is the Ashley Harder I have come to know.

I've seen her commitment to historic preservation and responsible redevelopment firsthand. That experience and perspective are essential on the Phoenix City Council that will shape the future of District 4.

Steve Dreiseszun
PHOENIX

GROWTH

City building but D.C. keeps getting in way

Goodyear is one of the fastest-growing cities in America. Every month we approve homes, break ground on employment sites and work to keep power and water ahead of demand.

Residents don't experience infrastructure as policy. They experience it as a utility bill, a commute or a job offer that shows up or doesn't. Too often, what stands between a project and a payoff isn't the city council. It's Washington, D.C.

When an energy project or transmission line dies in federal review, it's reported as an environmental victory. In Goodyear, it reads differently: a year of construction work that never came, a home that never got

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Speak Up

Here are some comments about stories happening in your area:

LOCAL/STATE NEWS

Gas prices still at record highs despite drop around Valley

"Greed! Take a look on what the CEO of the fuel companies are making. Total compensation for major oil and fuel company CEOs ranges from roughly \$32 million to over \$44 million annually for top U.S. companies." — Jerry M.

Arizona governor critical of those opposing water purification program

"Reclamation is covering the bulk of the costs to upgrade the wastewater facilities and many cities are doing this, like Ventura, California." — Carol E.

Second Arizona fab construction complete, TSMC says during 3Q report

"We already need hundreds of long term technicians, engineers, etc. and the need will only grow. I've seen massive hiring events take place monthly." — Brett A.

HALO Animal Rescue to close Phoenix location, move to Glendale

"Well, I'm hoping that's awesome news. I love Halo." — Char C.

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built, a bill that keeps climbing.

That process was built to stop things, and decades ago it worked, when the threat was an unregulated smokestack next to a school. But the project today is more likely a transmission line carrying solar power to West Valley homes and employers. A federal review averaging 4 1/2 years doesn't know the difference. Nationally, about 2,600 gigawatts of generation sit in line waiting to connect, more than the entire grid we operate today, and most of it clean.

That isn't protection. It's paralysis, and ratepayers pay for it.

Sen. Ruben Gallego's energy plan takes the problem seriously. It protects workers and prevailing wages, offers a path forward for communities built around older energy jobs and treats permitting backlog as the cost driver it is. It cuts red tape and lets us build.

Congress is expected to take up permitting legislation in the coming months. Arizona is fortunate to have Sen. Gallego on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee for that fight. He treats permitting delay as a problem to solve, not a virtue to defend.

Cities like ours don't have the luxury of waiting. The growth is already here. We can keep obstructing, or we can build. Goodyear is ready.

Brannon Hampton
GOODYEAR

The author has served on the Goodyear City Council since 2017.

POLITICS

Reader: Trump, GOP don't embody the Cowboy Code

I used to be a Republican. I voted for Ronald Reagan. To me, Reagan

embodied the Cowboy Code of actor singer Gene Autry. The code included that the cowboy must never shoot first, hit a smaller man or take unfair advantage. He must always tell the truth. He must help people in distress.

How do Trump and his rubberstamping Congress embody the Cowboy Code? So much for not shooting first nor taking unfair advantage. Our country now sees murder on the high seas, execution of American citizens by ICE and health care stripped from the poor in favor of tax cuts for billionaires. What does Rep. Abe Hamadeh think of an administration which takes unfair advantage?

When looking at the Cowboy Code voters might ask, "Can I ever expect this Republican Congress to hold Trump accountable, make him keep his word?" Trump said no more endless wars. What do they call the war against Iran? He also promised to end the Russian war against Ukraine. What does Rep. Hamadeh say about all this?

Trump says the war with Iran is "small potatoes." If Iran is small potatoes, does that mean the U.S. troops killed in this war served for "small potatoes?" And since there were less U.S. troops killed under Biden, are those deaths even smaller potatoes? As a veteran I'm outraged about this small potatoes comment. What does Rep. Hamadeh say about Iran being small potatoes?

Voters should ask themselves if they are sick of a Congress that has done nothing but defend policies of raids, detentions and the separation of families. I contend Ronald Reagan would be sick of it all.

Face it. The Cowboy Code embodied decency and kindness. Those qualities were in the driver's seat back then. Now? Decency and kindness are stuffed in the trunk.

Steve Grogan
SUN CITY

Rep. Abe Hamadeh is seeking reelection in Congressional District 8, which includes parts of Glendale, Peoria, north Phoenix, Sun City, Sun City West and Surprise.

ELECTION 2026

Why I'm not voting Biggs for governor

As a Sun City resident, I am always happy to walk and drive through my neighborhood and see lots of solar panels and a growing number of hybrid cars and electric cars.

This is definitely the right direction for society. This is Arizona. We should all want more solar initiatives. Recently, I saw a house with solar panels and two electric cars with Andy Biggs signs in the yard. I was astonished.

Andy Biggs has fought this forward movement in sustainable energy. He voted to remove any tax credits which encourage people to move to sustainable sources.

Andy Biggs has consistently voted against clean energy investments and initiatives, including a significant vote against the Inflation Reduction Act, which aimed to expand solar and wind development.

He has also supported measures that would repeal clean energy tax credits and limit environmental protections related to energy production.

He says he likes consumer taxes but does he realize how punitive this is to regular working people? "The haves" will have no problem with consumer taxes; they can afford it. "The have nots" (me) will struggle even more than we are now.

I will not vote for a candidate I think is backward-thinking and kowtows to Trump in every way. In my opinion, Andy Biggs has never truly put Arizona first. I urge

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people not to vote for him.

Debra Belkey
SUN CITY

This writer is using a pen name.

ELECTION 2026

I'm voting again for Abe Hamadeh

I wanted to meet with Congressional District 8's Rep. Abe Hamadeh to form my own opinion and ask some questions which I felt were important before I could give this man my vote.

He had about 30 minutes as he was leaving one meeting and going to another. He met with about 15 senior women and we pretty much grilled him on why he was running for office.

We were pleasantly surprised at how down to earth he is, how he directly answered our questions. We did not hold back. He totally answered why he felt the way he did and openly listened to us.

I am grateful for him and his love of this country.

Congressman Hamadeh has done what he promised.

I am grateful for his desire to serve the USA. He was in the U.S. Army and is still willing to serve our veterans and seniors.

I voted for him before and because of his promises and commitment to veterans, I'll vote again for my congressman, Abe Hamadeh.

Dolores McCaslin
SUN CITY WEST

Congressional District 8 includes parts of Glendale, Peoria, north Phoenix, Sun City, Sun City West and Surprise.

SPORTS

NBA

NO NEED FOR CAPES

Suns embrace each other's superpowers as they prepare for season

By Ethan Kinney
CRONKITE NEWS

Every basketball player has their niche, something that helps them stand out from their competition on the court. The Suns refer to these special gifts as superpowers.

For some players, it simply means having a knack for putting the ball in the basket. For others, the superpower is defined by more under-the-radar skills such as being in the right place at the right time or making up ground on defense.

As the Suns prepared for the regular season opener, which took place Thursday at Portland, the team's primary goal is to blend these superpowers while staying true to their foundation and identity.

"It's always first and foremost who



Suns guard Devin Booker (15) drives on Detroit Pistons' Ausar Thompson (9) during the first half of a preseason game Monday, Oct. 5 in Detroit. (The Associated Press/Paul Sancya)

the player is," Suns coach Jordan Ott said. "You don't want to change who the player is, per se. We want to highlight their greatest skills within the framework of our identity and what we do."

The Suns have a versatile roster of players with numerous unique skill sets, making the process a lot easier, Ott said. They have players whose su-

perpower is shooting and putting the ball in the basket, such as guards Devin Booker, Collin Gillespie and Luke Kennard.

"Luke is a shooter, that's his super skill," Suns guard Jordan Goodwin said. "Then you know Booker's superpower, he's going to put the ball in the hole."

Other players' superpowers are a bit

more niche.

"I would say Rasheer Fleming's superpower is his recovery time," Goodwin said. "He's the only player I've seen be extremely late to a position and still go get a block somewhere."

Goodwin's superpowers have become more evident as he has become an integral piece of the Suns' rotation, spinning and barreling his way to becoming a fan favorite.

"Goodie's (Goodwin's) superpower is offensive rebounding and just having a nose for where the basketball is at all times," Gillespie said.

When asked where he has noticed the most personal development since his rookie season, Gillespie said that once he was able to consistently play and get an opportunity, the game slowed down for him and he was able to discover his own strengths.

"You can figure out what your superpowers are," said Gillespie, who joined the team in 2024. "We talk about that a lot here, and I think I've

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MLB

Brewers manager Pat Murphy's former ASU, Notre Dame players say his MLB success hasn't surprised them

By Steve Megargee
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MILWAUKEE — As they watch manager Pat Murphy lead the Milwaukee Brewers to their first World Series since 1982, the guys who played for him at Notre Dame and Arizona State can't help but feel nostalgic.

Murphy celebrated Milwaukee's NL Championship Series sweep by saying the Los Angeles Dodgers had Hall of Famers but his team had gamers. The theme wasn't much different from pep talks he gave his college teams.

"It's kind of déjà vu," said Cory Mee, who played for Murphy at Notre

Dame from 1989-92. "I've heard this before."

Murphy won exactly 1,000 games during a college coaching career that included stops at Maryville (Tennessee) and Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (California) before longer stints at Notre Dame (1988-94) and Arizona State

(1995-2009). He now is on baseball's biggest stage as the Brewers face the Tampa Bay Rays in the World Series starting today.

He may have tempered his approach since making a cold call to then-Notre Dame athletic director Gene Corrigan

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USL CHAMPIONSHIP SOCCER

Rising enter final match with playoffs on the line



INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Rising return home for their final match of the season on Saturday, with the season hanging in the balance. The Rising will face Lexington SC for Fan Appreciation Night.

With eight teams making the playoffs in each conference, Phoenix is now in ninth tied with eighth-place Orange County SC with 39 points. Orange County leads on tiebreakers. San Antonio FC in seventh place with 42 points and has yet to clinch a playoff spot. San Antonio plays Orange County in the final match of the regular season.

If the Rising win on Saturday, they are in the playoffs. If they lose, they will be eliminated from

the playoffs. If they draw, they will need both San Antonio to beat Orange County and Oakland to lose or draw in order to make the playoffs.

In a situation where the Rising and Orange County SC both win, it will create a three-way tie in which Orange County gets seventh place, Phoenix gets eight place and San Antonio gets ninth placed based on the tiebreakers of record and goal differential against conference opponents in league matches.

Oakland Roots SC, with 38 points, is also a point behind Phoenix and Orange County and is still alive in the playoff race. They will face Sacramento Republic FC in the final match.

At left, Rising forwards Gunnar Stendenhoff, left, and Ihsan Sacko celebrate during a home match. (Phoenix Rising FC)

Suns

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just been able to find ways to play off the ball, catching and shooting, playing in get action, pick-and-roll, threes, so I think my superpower is shooting and just finding ways to get it off."

Ott has appreciated the way the players have bought into the team's identity and their own identities during training camp, while continuing to hone the skills that have brought them here.

He highlighted Kennard and Miles Bridges, two first-year Suns who have excelled at that balance.

When discussing superpowers, however, it's impossible to ignore the guy with the longest cape. There is little argument now that Booker is one of the greatest Suns of all time.

Suns guard Jalen Green said Booker's immense skills make it extremely comfortable to play alongside him.

"He's one of the top shooting guards in the NBA for a reason," Green said. "As coach says, his superpower, which Book has multiple of, is playing both on and off the ball which makes the game much easier for everyone else."

Murphy

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and talking his way into the Fighting Irish coaching job at the age of 28.

But his knack for getting players to believe remains as strong as ever.

"Watching him with these Brewers, it struck me that he's got a formula," said Mike Moshier, who played for Notre Dame from 1986-89. "His algorithm is the same now as it was 40 years ago."

That formula includes playing strong fundamentals, creating belief, outworking opponents, keeping everything fun and preparing for any obstacle.

"He does a really good job of explaining the expectation of how we're going to respond, what toughness and discipline look like, to be able to respond to tough moments," said Brett Wallace, who played for Murphy at Arizona State and again in the minor leagues and with the San Diego Padres.

The legend of the mud chart

There's perhaps no greater example than the "mud chart" Murphy designed to help Notre Dame's 1989 team earn an elusive NCAA Tour-



Then-Arizona State coach Pat Murphy, left, protests to home plate umpire Jeff Henrichs after a balk call allowed UC Irvine's Taylor Holiday to score in the fourth inning of a College World Series baseball elimination game in Omaha, Neb., June 19, 2007. Murphy is now managing the Milwaukee Brewers in the World Series. (The Associated Press/Eric Francis)

nament berth.

Notre Dame was in a double-elimination Midwestern Collegiate Conference tournament seeking the league's automatic NCAA bid.

The Irish fell 16-15 to Detroit and dropped into the losers' bracket, so their season would end unless they won five straight games.

Constant rain delays meant the last four of those games would take place in a span of 22 hours. One began at 1:30 a.m. and ended after 4

a.m.

Murphy designed a chart including a square for each of the 45 innings separating Notre Dame from its goal. Murphy figured the Irish needed to win or tie just about every inning. Whenever Notre Dame did that, he'd put a mud smudge in the corresponding square.

"It was posted in the dugout," Mee said. "Every inning, he just stuck his hand in the dirt, put some water on it and put a thumbprint on it."

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

EVENT

Phoenix art show celebrates Grand Avenue's colorful legacy

Five15Arts exhibition pays tribute to artist and arts advocate Beatrice Moore with works inspired by her collection of vintage craft materials

SPECIAL TO INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

A new Phoenix group exhibition will celebrate the colorful aesthetic of Grand Avenue and one of the artists who helped shape its creative community.

"Plush Plastic Pop" opens with a First Friday reception Nov. 6 at Five15Arts @ Chartreuse, 1301 NW Grand Ave.

The exhibition pays tribute to Beatrice Moore, who has spent more than four decades acquiring and restoring buildings along Grand Avenue and making spaces available to artists and other creatives. Five15Arts members were invited into Moore's now-closed Kooky Kraft Shop, where they selected materials from her collection of vintage craft supplies, including plastic doll parts, pom-poms, artificial flowers, and googly eyes, to incorporate into their own work.

"It was such an intriguing and delightful way to expand our art practice, using materials we wouldn't have otherwise considered," Five15Arts President Wendy Raisanen shared in a press release.

Moore will also exhibit work in the show alongside 13 members of the Five15Arts collective: Bob Al-



Harold Lohner's "Clowns 2" will be on exhibit at Five15Arts @ Chartreuse. (Photo provided by Five15Arts)

len, Sheri Ashton, Daniel Friedman, Victoria Lindley, Harold Lohner, Charissa Lucille, Amy Menousek, Elissa Nowacki, Daniel Prendergast, Raisanen, Angela RoseRed, Lynda Schlosberg and Marisa Skelpsa-Muños.

The exhibition will also be open during Grand Ave Fest on Saturday, Nov. 7, providing another opportunity to see the works.

Five15Arts @ Chartreuse is a

collective gallery on historic Grand Avenue featuring monthly exhibitions by its members and invited artists.

Artist Lynda Schlosberg will also showcase works at "Plush Plastic Pop" starting Nov. 6. (Photo provided by Five15Arts)

IF YOU GO

What: "Plush Plastic Pop," Five15Arts member group exhibition

Opening reception: 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6

Special event: Grand Ave Fest, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7

Where: Five15Arts @ Chartreuse, 1301 NW Grand Ave., Phoenix

Regular gallery hours: 6-9 p.m. Fridays; 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays; or by appointment



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TRUNK OR TREAT AT ABRAZO

About: 6-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23 at Abrazo Peoria Emergency Center, 26900 N. Lake Pleasant Parkway, Peoria

Info: Come spend the early evening with local firefighters, health officials and friends and family from the neighborhood with a family-friendly night of trunk or treating.

Web: abrazohealth.com

HALLOWEEN COMICS CELEBRATION

About: 5-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at Phoenix Center for the Arts, 1202 N. Third St., Phoenix

Info: Panels & Pages Halloween celebrates comics, art and creativity with artist discussions, vendors, collaborative art activities, exhibitions and book signings. General admission is free.

Web: phoenixcenterforthearts.org

SCIENCE AFTER DARK

About: 6-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at Arizona Science Center, 600 E. Washington St., Phoenix

Info: The Paranormal Project: Where Science Meets Supernatural explores unusual phenomena, paranormal culture and the mysteries of the unexplained. Tickets start at \$20.

Web: azscience.org

ORPHEUM GHOST TOURS

About: Select dates Oct. 23-31 at Orpheum Theatre, 203 W. Adams St., Phoenix

Info: Explore the historic theater's past through guided tours highlighting its architecture, backstage spaces and reported ghostly encounters. Tickets are \$30.

Web: pccticketing.com



Longview Neighborhood Recreation Center, in Phoenix, will host Trunk-or-Treat on Oct. 29. (Metro Creative Connection)

ROADRUNNER PARK FARMERS MARKET

About: 8 a.m.-noon, Saturdays, Oct. 24 and 31 at Roadrunner Park, 3502 E. Cactus Road, Phoenix

Info: The weekly farmers market features locally grown produce, fresh baked goods, specialty foods, hand-made products and other offerings from Arizona farmers and vendors.

Web: arizonacommunityfarmersmarkets.com

BOO BASH AND 5K DASH

About: 8 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Oct. 24 at Millennium High School, 14802 W Wigwam Blvd., Goodyear

Info: Join the LESD Educational

Foundation for the inaugural Boo Bash & 5K Dash in Goodyear. Run or walk, dress up, enjoy Halloween fun and support local students and educators.

Web: 4peaksracing.com/events/boo-bash-2026

BOOFEST RETURNS

About: 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at Paseo Highlands Park, 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Road, Phoenix

Info: Phoenix celebrates its 23rd annual BooFest with live entertainment, costume contests, candy, inflatable attractions and children's train rides. Admission is free. Food and merchandise will be available for purchase.

YOUR EVENTS, PLEASE

We welcome your events for our Neighborhood To-Do List page. Please send the following for publication in our calendar: name of the event, time, date and location with address and if there is a cost to attend. Email us: AZNews@iniusa.org.



EVENTS

The Sun City West Independent will host its Sun

City West Expo at 9 a.m. Wed., Oct. 28 at the SCW Foundation. Individuals wishing to participate may reach out to the sales team. Email us: AZAds@iniusa.org.

Web: phoenix.gov

PARADISE VALLEY TREATS

About: 6-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at Paradise Valley Community Center, 17402 N. 40th St., Phoenix

Info: Families are invited to a free trunk-or-treat celebration featuring candy, inflatable attractions and games. Children are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes.

Web: phoenix.gov

HALLOWEEN SENSORY NIGHT

About: 4:30-6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at Children's Museum of Phoenix, 215 N. Seventh St., Phoenix

Info: The museum hosts a sensory-conscious Halloween evening for children with autism and other needs. Families can explore exhibits in a quieter environment while enjoy-

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Calendar

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ing costumes, treats and seasonal activities. Admission is free, but reservations are required.

Web: childrensmuseumofphoenix.org

HALLOWEEN MOVIE CLASSIC

About: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at Orpheum Theatre, 203 W. Adams St., Phoenix.

Info: The historic theater presents a screening of Tim Burton's "The Nightmare Before Christmas," featuring the adventures of Jack Skellington and the residents of Halloween Town. Tickets start at \$11.

Web: pccticketing.com

HALLOWS' EVE FESTIVAL

About: 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, at Arizona Center, 455 N. Third St., Phoenix

Info: Downtown Phoenix's Halloween celebration features costume contests, candy, a petting zoo, live DJs, face painting, games, crafts and market vendors. Admission is free.

Web: dtpnx.org/hallowseve

LIVE JAZZ AT WRIGLEY MANSION

About: 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29 at Wrigley Mansion, 2501 E. Telawa Trail, Phoenix

Info: Wrigley Mansion's Hormel Jazz Series brings live jazz to the historic landmark overlooking the Valley. Visitors can enjoy an evening of music and dining. Reservations are recommended.

Web: wrigleymansion.com

LONGVIEW TRUNK-OR-TREAT

About: 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, at Longview Neighborhood Rec-



The historic Orpheum Theatre's past will be told through guided tours Oct. 23-31 to highlight its architecture, backstage spaces and reported ghostly encounters. (Photo by w_lemay, provided by Wiki Commons)

reation Center, 4040 N. 14th St., Phoenix

Info: Families can enjoy free trick-or-treating from decorated vehicles, Halloween games and a spooky exhibit. Costumes are encouraged.

Web: phoenix.gov

JOY BUS ANNUAL GALA

About: 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30 at The Arizona Biltmore, 2400 E. Missouri

Ave., Phoenix

Info: The Joy Bus Gala, an evening of dining, storytelling, entertainment and philanthropy benefiting The Joy Bus and its passengers, persons bravely battling cancer throughout our community.

Web: joybus.org

13TH FLOOR HAUNTED HOUSE

About: Select evenings through

Sunday, Nov. 1, at 13th Floor Haunted House, 2710 W. Bell Road, Suite 1180, Phoenix

Info: The seasonal haunted attraction features elaborate sets, live performers and multiple immersive walkthrough experiences. The 2026 attractions include Dead City Up-rising, House of Flesh and Reaping Grounds. Tickets are required. Organizers warn the experience may be too intense for children 12 and younger.

Web: 13thflooraz.com

BOOFEST

About: 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24 at Paseo Highlands Park, 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Road, Phoenix

Info: Celebrate Halloween at Phoenix's 23rd annual free BooFest with live entertainment, costume contests, complimentary candy and treats, inflatables, a children's train ride and other activities. Food and artisan goods will be available for purchase.

Web: phoenix.gov/boofest

PIRATES IN CONCERT

About: 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 30-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1 at Symphony Hall, 75 N. Second St., Phoenix

Info: The Phoenix Symphony performs the score to "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" live while the 2003 film is shown on screen.

Web: phoenixsymphony.org

STATE FAIR FINALE

About: Noon-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 30-31, and noon-9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1 at Arizona State Fairgrounds, 1826 W. McDowell Road, Phoenix

Info: The Arizona State Fair closes its 2026 season with its final week-end of rides, food, exhibits and entertainment.

Web: azstatefair.com

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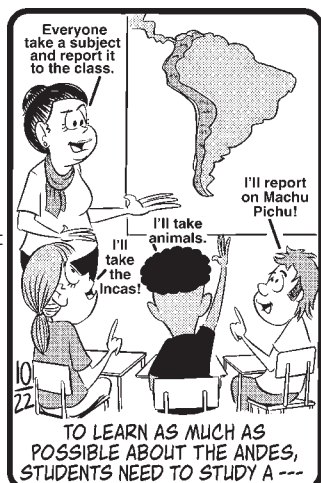
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OPTRAS

Yesterday's | Jumbles: WITTY RIVER EMBARK EXPEND
 Answer: The math whiz liked odd numbers but thought
 those divisible by two were — EVEN BETTER

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

"Phil spoils Marmaduke more than the kids and me."

SO, WHAT'S YOUR BIGGEST REGRET IN LIFE, CLYDE?

MY GREATEST REGRET
IS THAT I NEVER HAD
ANY OF MY MUSIC PER-
FORMED BY A SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA.

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THANK YOU FOR CALLING THE HELP LINE

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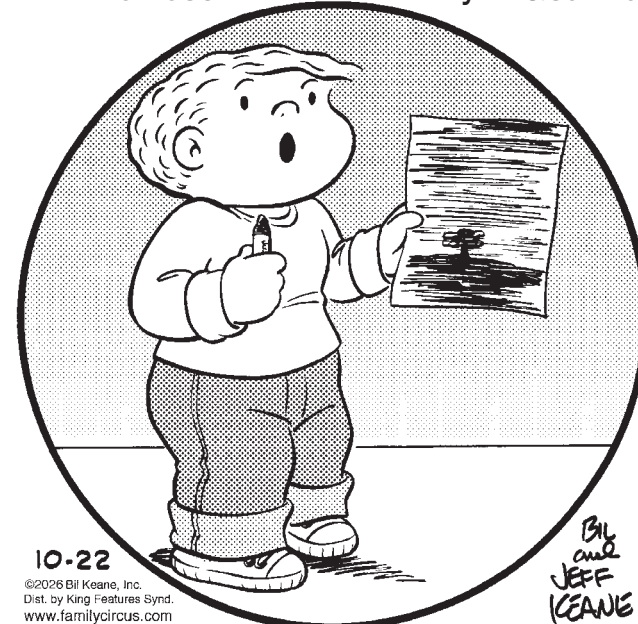
BOOOOOP

MEOW MEOW MEOW?
MEOW MEOW MEOWR!

JIM DAVIS 10-22

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By Bil & Jeff Keane



**“I need a bigger piece of paper.
I can’t fit the whole sky
on this one.”**

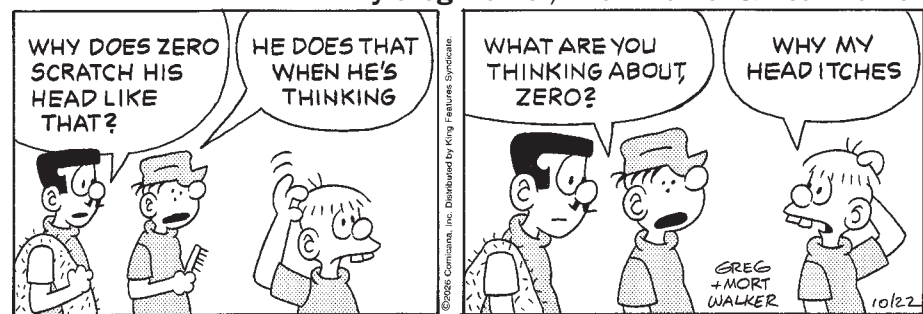
BABY BLUES

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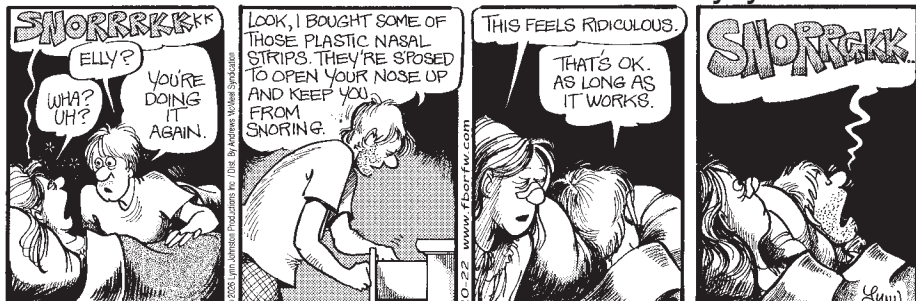
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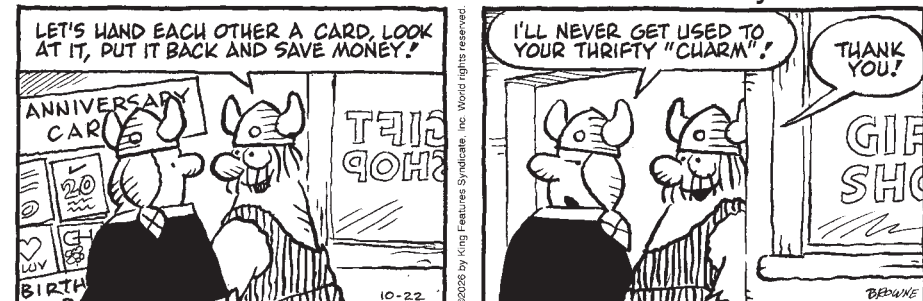
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LOOKING BACK

Oct. 22

Thursday, Oct. 22, is the 295th day of 2026.

On Oct. 22, 2012, cyclist Lance Armstrong was formally stripped of his seven Tour de France victories and received a lifetime ban from Olympic sports after the International Cycling Union chose not to appeal doping charges against Armstrong by the United States Anti-Doping Agency.

Also on this date:

In 1797, André-Jacques Garnerin of France made the first successful parachute drop, descending about 3,000 feet to the ground from a balloon over Paris. He was hailed as the first successful parachutist and went on to make some 200 additional descents.

In 1836, Sam Houston was inaugurated as the first elected president of the Republic of Texas, which earned

its independence from Mexico that year in a military rebellion.

In 1934, bank robber Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd was shot to death by federal agents and local police at a farm near East Liverpool, Ohio.

In 1962, in a nationally televised address, President John F. Kennedy revealed the presence of Soviet missile bases under construction in Cuba and announced a naval blockade of all offensive military equipment shipped to Cuba.

In 1968, Apollo 7, the first crewed mission of NASA's Apollo space program, returned safely from orbit, splashing down in the Atlantic Ocean.

In 1975, the Soviet space lander Venera 9 descended to the surface of Venus and transmitted the first photographs ever from the surface of another planet,

revealing a harsh, rocky landscape.

In 2014, a gunman shot and killed a soldier standing guard at a war memorial in Ottawa, then stormed the Canadian Parliament building before he himself was shot and killed.

In 2016, the Chicago Cubs won their first pennant since 1945, beating the Los Angeles Dodgers in Game 6 of the National League Championship Series. (The Cubs would go on to beat Cleveland in the World Series in seven games, their first series championship since 1908.)

In 2019, Japanese Emperor Naruhito formally ascended to the Chrysanthemum Throne in a ceremony at Tokyo's Imperial Palace in the presence of foreign dignitaries. Naruhito assumed the duties of emperor, a position with ceremonial roles but no political power, after his father Akihito abdicated earlier in the year.

CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS

- Black Panthers co-founder **Bobby Seale** is 90.
- Actor **Christopher Lloyd** is 88.
- Actor **Derek Jacobi** is 88.
- Actor **Catherine Deneuve** is 83.
- Physician and author **Deepak Chopra** is 80.
- Actor **Jeff Goldblum** is 74.
- Actor-comedian **Bob Odenkirk** is 64.
- Olympic gold medal figure skater **Brian Boitano** is 63.
- Country singer **Shelby Lynne** is 58.
- Reggae deejay and singer **Shaggy** is 58.
- Film director **Spike Jonze** is 57.
- Argentine President **Javier Milei** is 56.
- Former MLB All-Star **Ichiro Suzuki** is 53.
- Actor **Jesse Tyler Ferguson** is 51.
- Actor **Corey Hawkins** is 38.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 41 Seething

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5 Crime e.g.

outing 45 Tightly

10 Discon- packed

certs 46 Groan

12 Like inducers

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13 Bizarre

14 Splinter

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15 Keats

work

16 Small

chirper

18 Box office

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20 "Roses —

red"

21 Inkling

23 Marked a

ballot

24 Lion's

pride

26 Monopoly

card

28 Sedan or

SUV

29 Blocks up

31 Little

laborer

32 Strike

participant

36 Growth of

trees

39 New

Haven

student

40 Subatomic

particle

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Yesterday's answer

DOWN

1 Underway

2 — Arabia

3 Early

Mexican

4 For

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5 "— fan

tutte"

6 Opposite

of "sans"

7 Prospec-

tor's tool

8 Went in

9 Took a

breather

11 Left the

group

17 Numbered

rd.

19 Family

22 "Be

honest!"

24 Street

opening

25 Crafts-

man

27 PC key

28 Place for

a sleeping

pet

30 Clumsy

one

33 Reeves of

"Speed"

34 Rocker

John

35 Strata

37 Barracks

sights

38 Pants part

42 Gym unit

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WONDERWORD®

By DAVID

OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the **WONDERWORD**.

AVIATOR CLUBS

Solution: 9 letters

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Aircraft, Airline, Airplane, Altitude, Cabin, Cadet, Captain, Cargo, Controls, Descent, Flaps, Flight, Flying, Force, Gear, Glide, Height, Helicopter, Horizon, Jet Lag, Landing, Learn, Lift, Maps, Mass, Model, Motion, Passport, Pilot, Private, Radio, Route, Safety, Site, Space, Steer, Tail, Takeoff, Thrust, Tower, Travel, Weight, Window, Wingspan

Yesterday's Answer: Cardio

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Tribune Crossword

EDITED BY PATTI VAROL

ACROSS

- 1 Cartoon girl whose best friend is Boots the Monkey
5 Brand of body wash
9 Meant but not said
14 Sigh of woe
15 Slip (past)
16 Residence
17 Sharp taste
18 Russian blues, e.g.
19 Foldable bed
20 Port
23 Kept on teasing
24 Isl. with four provinces
25 Basic nutrient
28 Port
32 Wetland ecosystem
33 ___ poker
34 Holy people
35 Adapter letters
37 "Okey-dokey"
39 Breathing organ
40 Moved with haste
43 Formerly, quaintly
46 Leaves in hot water?
47 Port

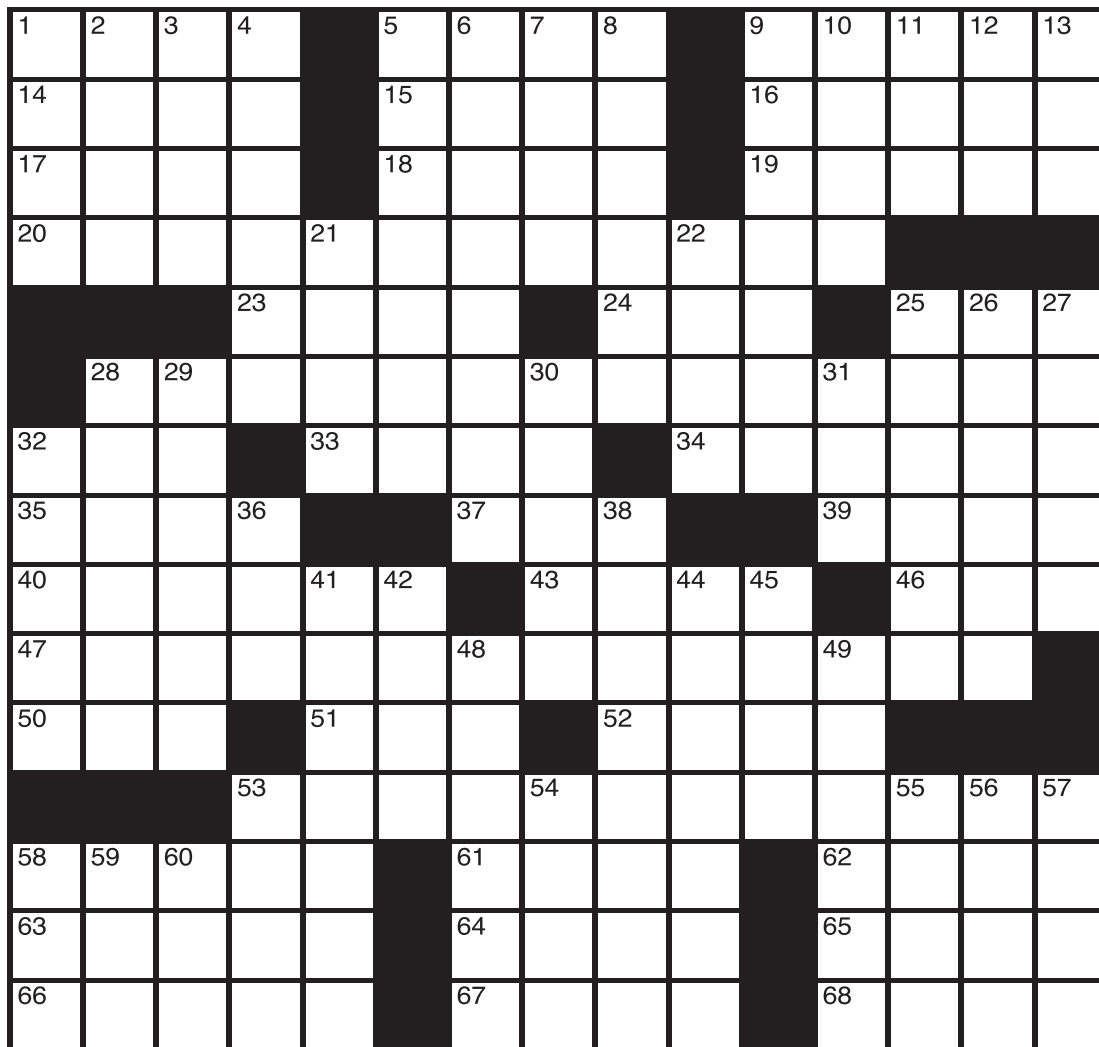
- 50 Telepathic ability
51 Part of a pod cast?
52 Whodunit game
53 Port
58 "Until we meet again, mon ami"
61 Unstable subatomic particle
62 "___ might say ..."
63 Cough drop brand
64 Group driven to stay together?
65 Neck and neck
66 Talus locale

- 67 Mount of Greek myth
68 Give temporarily

DOWN

- 1 Facts and figures
2 Royal figure in Norwegian history
3 Royal figure in Indian history
4 Home of Odin and Thor
5 Reader of secret messages
6 "Seems to me ..."
7 Business reps
8 Nielsen of "Airplane!"
9 Stiff fabric
10 Be against
11 Foldable bed
12 Promising words
13 Oscar count for 1961's "West Side Story"
21 "Hello It's Me" singer-songwriter Rundgren
22 Flubs
25 Having measurable limits
26 Buck topper
27 Electrical pioneer Nikola

- 28 Comes up again
29 Turns out to be
30 "Awesome!"
31 Barrister's head covering
32 Absurd situation
36 Letter between phi and psi
38 "Time's up" callers
41 Embrace, as a cause
42 Judge to be
44 Sugar substitute with sucralose
45 Series of gigs
48 Lyric poet of Lesbos
49 Frigate, for one
53 Spreadsheet unit
54 Informal reversals
55 Emotion expressed with heart hands, perhaps
56 Gathering clouds, say
57 Lean (toward)
58 Triumphant cry
59 Auerbach of the Black Keys
60 Sort



ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:



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Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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ETCPAC
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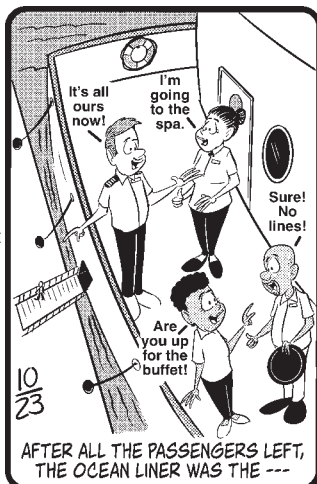
(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: CROWN PURGE FICKLE PASTOR
Answer: To learn as much as possible about the Andes, students need to study a — RANGE OF TOPICS

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

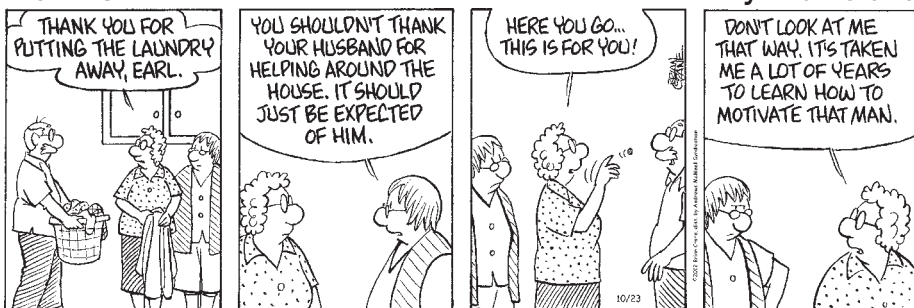
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



AFTER ALL THE PASSENGERS LEFT, THE OCEAN LINER WAS THE ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

PICKLES



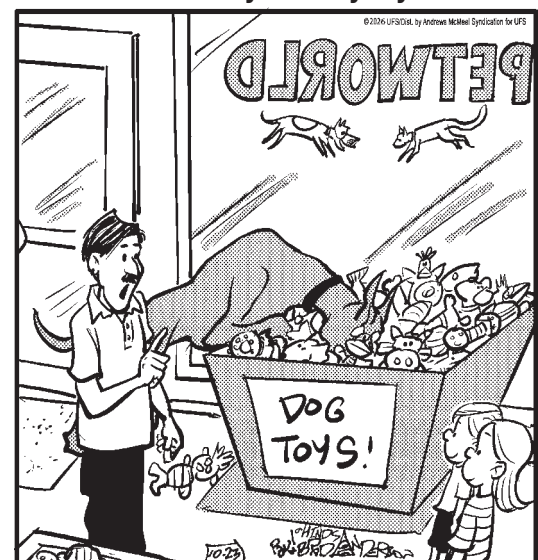
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GARFIELD



By Jim Davis

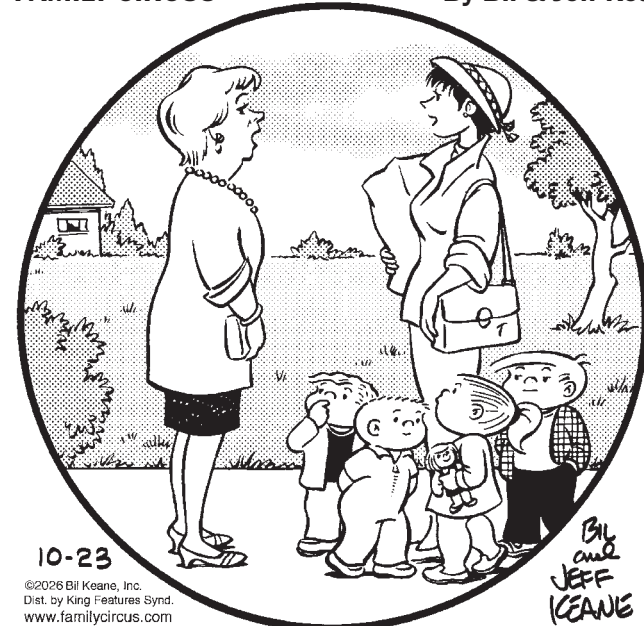
MARMADUKE By Bradley Jay Anderson



"Remember, no toy for Marmaduke that squeaks, beeps or boops."

FAMILY CIRCUS

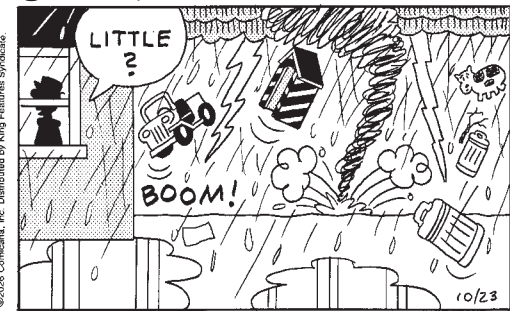
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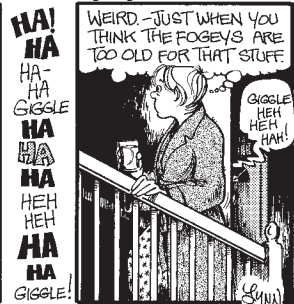
"How do you divide your love among four children?"
"I don't divide it. I multiply it."

BABY BLUES

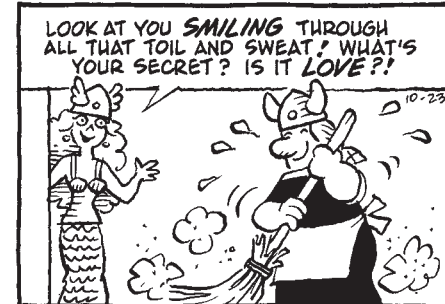
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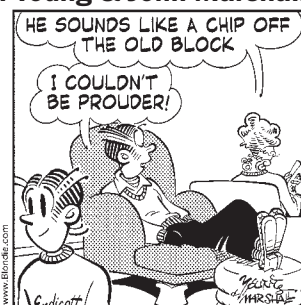
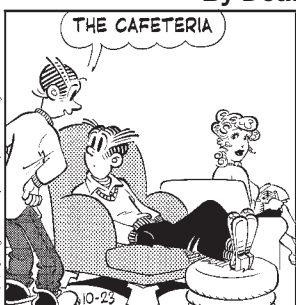
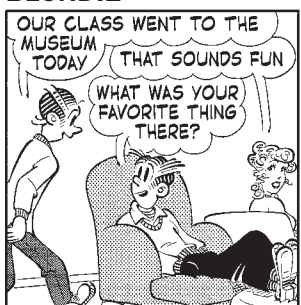
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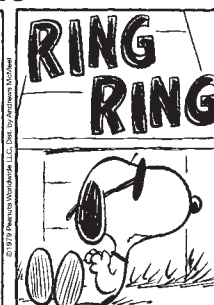
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TODAY IN HISTORY**Oct. 23**

Friday, Oct. 23, is the 296th day of 2026.

On Oct. 23, 1983, 241 U.S. service members, most of them Marines, were killed in a suicide truck-bombing at the U.S. Marine Corps barracks at Beirut International Airport in Lebanon, while a near-simultaneous attack on French barracks in Beirut killed 58 paratroopers.

Also on this date:

In 1864, Northern forces won the three-day Battle of Westport on the border between Missouri and Kansas, the largest Civil War engagement fought west of the Mississippi River, smashing Confederate hopes of fomenting a popular rebellion and snatching Missouri from Union control.

In 1915, an estimated 25,000 women marched on Fifth Avenue in New York City in support of women's suffrage.

In 1942, during World War II, Britain launched a major offensive against Axis forces at El Alamein in Egypt, resulting

in an Allied forces victory.

In 1944, the Battle of Leyte Gulf began; the largest naval battle of World War II resulted in a major Allied victory against Japanese forces, paving the way for the retaking of the Philippines.

In 1956, a student-sparked revolt against Hungary's Communist rule began; as the revolution spread, Soviet forces entered the country, ending the uprising on Nov. 4.

In 1987, the U.S. Senate rejected the Supreme Court nomination of Robert H. Bork, 58-42.

In 1989, 23 people were killed in an explosion at a Phillips Petroleum chemical complex in Pasadena, Texas.

In 1995, a Houston jury convicted Yolanda Saldívar of murdering Tejano singing star Selena; Saldívar was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole and remains in prison.

In 2001, Apple released the iPod. An estimated 450 million iPod devices were sold before the line was discontinued in 2022.

In 2002, Chechen rebels stormed a Moscow theater and took about 800 hostages, demanding that Russian forces withdraw from Chechnya. Russian special forces raided the theater on Oct. 26; most of the rebels and 120 hostages were killed.

In 2004, a magnitude 6.8 earthquake rocked central Japan, killing at least 68 people and injuring thousands amid massive power outages, scattered fires and damage to buildings, bridges and highways.

In 2011, Libya's transitional council declared the North African country officially "liberated" from the four-decade dictatorship of Moammar Gadhafi, days after the ousted leader died at the hands of opposition fighters in his hometown of Sirte.

In 2020, the rival factions in Libya's civil war signed a permanent ceasefire after years of fighting that had split the North African country in two. While the truce ended large-scale warfare, the country remained divided between east and west.

CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS

- Film director **Philip Kaufman** is 90.
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- Film director **Ang Lee** is 72.
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- Country singer **Dwight Yoakam** is 70.
- Activist and philanthropist **Martin Luther King III** is 69.
- Film director **Sam Raimi** is 67.
- Comedic musician **"Weird Al" Yankovic** is 67.
- Rock musician **Robert Trujillo** is 62.
- Actor **Ryan Reynolds** is 50.
- R&B singer **Miguel** is 41.
- Actor **Emilia Clarke** is 40.
- Actor **Margaret Qualley** is 32.
- NFL defensive end **Nick Bosa** is 29.
- Actor **Amandla Stenberg** is 28.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 39** Brawl
40 Water whirl
41 Action star Jackie

- 9** Different
11 Joust wear

- 13** Portland setting

- 14** Copy for pasteup

- 15** Completely

- 16** Tailors' inserts

- 18** Served a sentence

- 20** Surgeon eggs

- 21** Victor

- 22** Start of a German count

- 23** Bonanza stuff

- 24** Important age

- 25** Yard part

- 27** Mans the buckets

- 29** Wrap up

- 30** Revolutionary arms

- 32** Fate

- 34** Artist Jean

- 35** Manual readers

- 36** Place in order

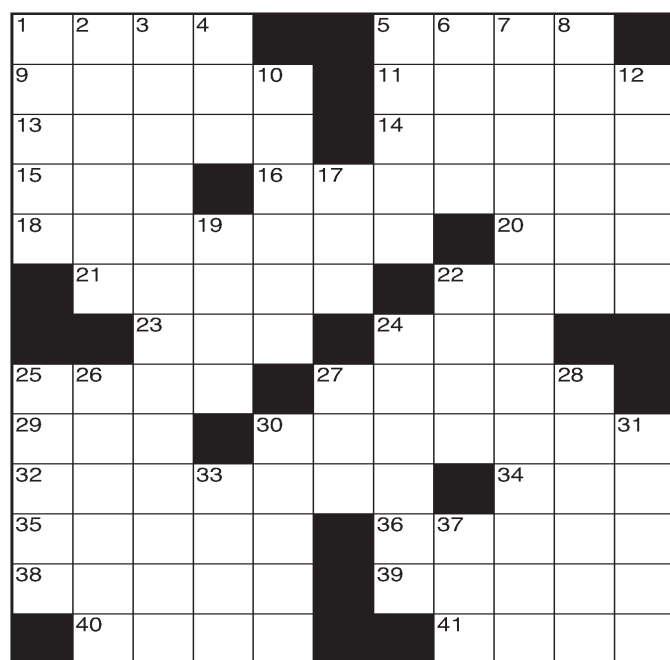
- 38** Wine grape



Yesterday's answer

DOWN

- 1** Wanderer
2 Tilted type
3 Arthur C. Clarke novel
4 Filmmaker Burns
5 Analyze grammar
6 Son of Zeus
7 Arthur C. Clarke novel
8 Kramden's pal
10 Ruling group
12 Valentine's gift
17 Game caller
19 Pucker-inducing
22 Composer Satie
24 Cake courses
25 Disgusted
26 Infant outfit
27 Frank holder
28 Layers
30 Fog-shrouded
31 Watch secretly
33 Walked over
37 DVR button letters



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WONDERWORD

By DAVID
OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the **WONDERWORD**.

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S P W S I Y A E C R S A C N R
A E P N U R E M E M J U R A E
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S S G U B E I S I E S I R I O
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Yesterday's Answer: Organized

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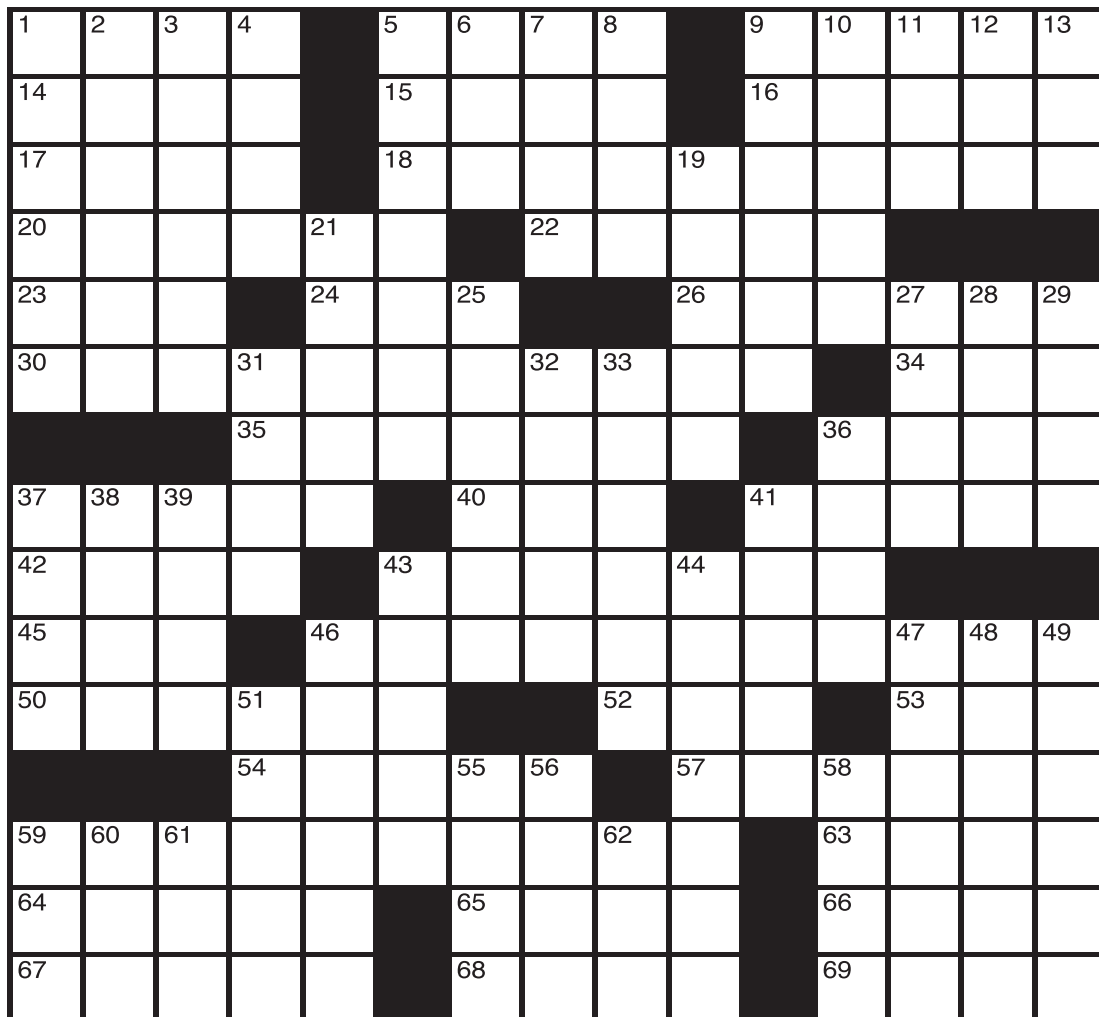
ACROSS

- 1 "Ring out the thousand ___ of old" : Tennyson
5 Hat holders
9 Figure in a Faustian bargain
14 Name on a former lake in Central Asia
15 Sandwich title
16 ___ keyboard
17 Hayworth of "The Strawberry Blonde"
18 Gospel music?
20 Slogans
22 Ring topper
23 Screening org.
24 Chart-topper
26 High cloud
30 Really, really sticky situation?
34 Fiver
35 Uncomfortably honest
36 Pulitzer winner James
37 African language family
40 ___ Atleos: big name in ATMs
41 Oscar, but not Big Bird
42 Vicinity
43 Tenor Pavarotti
45 Molecule in some vaccines
46 Brag obnoxiously after winning a swabbing contest?
50 Gymnast Olga with four Olympic gold medals
52 128 oz.
53 Colorado Plateau Native
54 Model/actress Kate
57 Mortar's partner
59 Generous Volkswagen promotion?
63 Panache
64 Mexican meat
65 Period after Shrove Tuesday

- 66 Toy (with)
67 Break the rules
68 Eight, in combinations
69 Minuscule

DOWN

- 1 Affection
2 Oratorio solo
3 Material for some patio furniture
4 Board on some patio furniture
5 Gatorade owner
6 Orecchiette shape
7 Foie ___
8 Buttonhole, e.g.
9 Veto on movie night
10 Cautionary color
11 Spot for a metti
12 Two-time WNBA Finals MVP Wilson
13 Picky criticism
19 Golden St. region
21 "Silly goose!"
25 Distraught
27 Sitar piece
28 Very, informally
29 Pomegranate bit
31 "___ Is Betta Than Ewvah!" : 1976 album
32 Home of the Kaaba
33 Revealing to all
36 Missing GI
37 Flavorful part of a cinnamon tree
38 View from the Uffizi
39 Proximate
41 Measurement given in degrees
43 Led Zeppelin's "Whole ___ Love"
44 Fit in with
46 Sesame Street denizen
47 Current source
48 "Finally!," or what can be found in 18-, 30-, 46-, and 59-Across
49 Minuscule
51 Lake ___ Vista, Florida
55 Capital west of Stockholm
56 Fraction of a min.
58 Big rig
59 TV monitor
60 Cheer syllable
61 Poetic preposition
62 Pantry pest



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Dated this 6th day of October, 2026.

Richard Fortier
Richard Fortier, Trustee

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In the Matter of the Trust

of

The Robert E. Fredericksen and June A. Fredericksen Revocable Declaration of Trust dated September 2, 2005

June A. Fredericksen, deceased

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DATED: 10/15/26

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

In the Matter of the Estate

of

ANTONIUS PETER BOECK,

Deceased.

NO. PB 2026-005541

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this Estate. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months from the date of first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned Personal Representative at the law offices of ROBERT F. JECKEL, P.L.L.C., 17028 North Boswell Boulevard, Sun City, Arizona 85373, attorneys for the Estate.

DATED: 10/16, 2026.

Sandra Marie Beck
SANDRA MARIE BECK
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ROBERT F. JECKEL, P.L.L.C.

By: *Robert F. Jeckel*
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PROBATE COURT ADMINISTRATION

In the Matter of

JAMES HONNLEE

Case No. PB2026-007726

NOTICE OF INITIAL HEARING REGARDING:
PETITION FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

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Any written response must comply with Rule 15(e) of the Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure. If you do not file a timely response or attend the hearing:

- (1) the court may grant the relief requested in the petition unless otherwise prohibited by law and without further proceedings, and
- (2) you will not receive additional notices of court proceedings relating to the petition unless you file a Demand for Notice pursuant to Title 14, Arizona Revised Statutes.

1. Notice is given that YOUNG JASON HONNLEE has filed the following:

- * PETITION FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

2. COURT HEARING. An initial hearing has been scheduled to consider the Petition as follows:

DATE and TIME: Thursday, November 19, 2026 at 9:45 AM
JUDICIAL OFFICER: Judge Joseph Klefer
PLACE: 125 W. WASHINGTON STREET, PHOENIX, AZ 85003 - COURTROOM 002
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ARIZONA SUPERIOR COURT, PIMA COUNTY

BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO
Petitioner
and
CHRISTOPHER LEE ROYERO
Respondent

Case No. DJ 2026 1463
SUMMONS
(Family Law)
LUKE BROWN

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(Name of Respondent)

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3. If this Summons and the other court papers were served on you within the State of Arizona, your Response must be filed within TWENTY (20) CALENDAR DAYS from the date of the service, not counting the day of service. If the papers were served on you outside the State of Arizona, your Response must be filed within THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS, not counting the day of service.
4. Requests for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities must be made to the court by parties at least 3 working days in advance of a scheduled court proceeding.
5. Either spouse, or both spouses, may file in the conciliation court petition seeking the jurisdiction of the court for the purpose of preserving the marriage by effecting conciliation between the parties.

GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Superior Court of the State of Arizona in and for the County of Pima this day of JUN 2 - 2026 By JAMES W. GIACOMINO
CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Deputy Clerk LISSET GONZALES

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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA, MARICOPA COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of:

NO.

PB2026-006549

MICHAEL J. FILKINS,

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MICHAEL E. FILKINS has been appointed Personal Representative of this Estate. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented by delivering or mailing a written statement of the claim to the Personal Representative at c/o: Wayne P. Marsh, PLC, 17028 N. Boswell Blvd., Sun City, AZ 85373.

DATED this 28th day of September 2026.

Wayne P. Marsh
Wayne P. Marsh
Attorney for Personal Representative

WAYNE P. MARSH, PLC

By: Wayne P. Marsh
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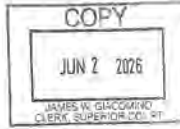
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BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO
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Petitioner Pro Per

Prepared by: Ella J. Blass, AZCLDP#81721
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THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PIMA

BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO,) **CASE NO. 0 2026 1463**
Petitioner,)
) **LUKE BROWN**
and) **PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION**
) **OF NON-COVENANT MARRIAGE**
CHRISTOPHER LEE ROMERO,) **WITH CHILDREN**
Respondent.)
) **Hon.**

Petitioner, **BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO**, Pro Per, for her Petition for Dissolution of Non-Covenant Marriage with Children (hereinafter "the Petition"), states and alleges as follows:

1. That Petitioner's name is **BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO**, and she has filed the Sensitive Data Sheet filed with the court and has a protected address. The Petitioner has been domiciled in the State of Arizona in excess of ninety (90) days before the filing of this action. Petitioner is employed as a medical assistant.

2. That Respondent's name is **CHRISTOPHER LEE ROMERO**, and his whereabouts are unknown to Petitioner at this time.

3. That the parties were married on January 27, 2018 in Las Vegas, Nevada, and ever since have been and now are husband and wife.

4. That there is one (1) minor child common to the parties hereto, namely: **JAXON JETER ROMERO**, born May 30, 2017. The Petitioner is not pregnant.

5. That neither party is active-duty military.

6. There are no existing protective orders in effect, but significant physical domestic violence has been perpetrated by Respondent, who has been convicted of felony criminal acts against Petitioner, including, but not limited to, Aggravated Assault, Unlawful Imprisonment and Endangerment. Petitioner was choked to the point of near death by Respondent and is extremely fearful of Respondent.

7. That the marriage of the parties is irretrievably broken with no reasonable prospect for reconciliation and that neither party has filed any other action for dissolution in this or any other jurisdiction. This is not a covenant marriage.

8. That it is in the minor child's best interests that the Petitioner/Mother be awarded sole legal decision-making and be designated the primary residential parent. Father should not exercise any parenting time with the Minor Child. Father abandoned

the Minor Child. He last saw the Minor Child in November of 2021. His current whereabouts are unknown to Petitioner. Father is a dangerous convicted felon.

9. That Petitioner's proposed Parenting Plan is being filed herewith, and Petitioner seeks the court's approval of same.

10. That child support should be ordered in accordance with the Arizona Child Support Guidelines and as set forth on Petitioner/Mother's Child Support Worksheet filed concurrent with this Petition.

11. The parties have no community property which needs to be divided between them.

12. That each party should retain their own separate personal property currently in their possession.

13. That the parties has no community debt. Each party should pay whatever debt is in their name alone.

14. That neither party is entitled to an award of spousal maintenance.

15. That Petitioner shall claim the Minor Child as her dependent on her federal and state income tax returns beginning tax year 2026 and each year thereafter.

16. That each party should pay their own attorney and/or legal fees and court costs unless Respondent takes an unreasonable position or unnecessarily delays these proceedings, in which case he should be ordered to pay a portion or all of Petitioner's legal fees and costs;

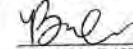
WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays as follows:

- A. That this Court enter a Decree of Dissolution of Marriage returning each party to the status of a single person;
- B. That Petitioner/Mother be awarded sole legal decision-making of the Minor Children and designated the primary residential parent;
- C. That Petitioner/Mother's proposed Parenting Plan be approved;
- D. That child support be ordered in accordance with the Arizona Child Support Guidelines as reflected on the Petitioner's Child Support Worksheet;
- E. That each party retains their own separate personal property currently in their possession;
- F. That each party pays any separate debt in their own name.
- G. That neither party be awarded spousal maintenance;
- H. That Petitioner claim the Minor Child as her tax dependent on her federal and state income tax returns beginning tax year 2026 and each year thereafter;
- I. That each party pays their own attorney or legal fees and court costs unless Respondent takes an unreasonable position or unnecessarily delays these

proceedings, in which case he should be ordered to pay a portion or all of Petitioner's legal fees and costs;

- J. For such other and further relief as the Court shall deem just and proper in the premises.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 21st day of April 2026.


BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO,
Petitioner Pro Per

VERIFICATION

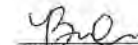
STATE OF ARIZONA)
)
COUNTY OF PINAL) **§§**

BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

That she is the Petitioner in the above-captioned Petition for Dissolution of Non-Covenant Marriage with Children;

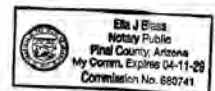
That she has read the foregoing Petition for Dissolution of Non-Covenant Marriage with Children, by her subscribed, and knows the contents thereof; and

That she believes that the matters and things herein contained are true and correct in substance and in fact.


BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 21st day of April 2026 by **BRIANNA DANIELLE CASTRO**.


NOTARY PUBLIC



Public Notice

Samantha Pfaff-Goldstein
Arizona Bar #: 03854
Florence Immigrant & Refugee Rights Project ("FIRRP")
2025 N. 3rd Street, Suite 205
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Tel.: (602) 283-4791
spaff@firrp.org

Attorney for the Minor, PETITIONER

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

In the Matter of:) No. JD536519
)
)
DANTE ALDAHIR)
LIZARRAGA ESQUER) **NOTICE OF HEARING OF**
) **APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN**
)
DOB: 12/24/2016)
(Person under 18 years of age))
) Honorable Commissioner
) Nicole Bricker
)

TO: **Luis Alejandro Lizarraga Enriquez**, parent or guardian of the above-named child.

1. Attorney Cooper Richardson filed a Motion to Appoint a Guardian pursuant to Title 8 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Rule 4.1 and 4.2 of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, and Rules 344 and 345 of the Rules of Procedure for the Juvenile Court.

2. The Court has set a Publication Hearing on **December 04, 2026, at 9:50 a.m.** (9:50 a.m. in Sonora, MX) at the Maricopa County Superior Court, **3131 W. Durango St., Phoenix, AZ 85009**, before the Honorable Nicole Brickner for the purpose of determining whether any parent or guardian named herein is contesting the allegations in the Motion.

3. You and your children are entitled to have an attorney present at the hearing. You may hire your own attorney or, if you cannot afford an attorney and want to be represented by one, one may be appointed by the Court.

4. You have a right to appear as a party in this proceeding. You are advised that your failure to personally appear in court at the initial hearing, pretrial conference, status conference or adjudication, without good cause shown, may result in a finding that you have waived your legal rights and are not contesting the motion. In addition, if you fail to appear, without good cause, the hearing may go forward in your absence and may result in termination of your parental rights and/or the establishment of a permanent guardianship based on the record and the evidence presented to the Court, as well as an order of paternity, custody, or change of custody in a consolidated family law matter and an order for child support if paternity is established.

5. If you are receiving this Notice by publication, you may obtain a copy of the Guardianship Motion and Notice of Hearing by submitting a written request to: Samantha Pfaff-Goldstein, P.O. Box 32670, Phoenix, AZ 85064 or you may call (602) 283-4791, or email spaff@firrp.org.

6. Maricopa County Superior Court is conducting the hearing remotely. Parties are instructed to call in using <https://tinyurl.com/jbzm-c-juj09> or +1 (917) 781-4590, Participant Code 292 462 301#. If the parties would like to appear in person, a request should be made to their attorney, or to the division at (602) 372-2053 if they are not represented by counsel.

7. Requests for reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities must be made to the Court by parties at least three working days in advance of a scheduled court proceeding and can be made by calling (602) 372-2053.

8. You have the right to make a request or motion prior to any hearing that the hearing be closed to the public.

DATED this 13th day of October, 2026.

By: /s/ Samantha Pfaff-Goldstein
Samantha Pfaff-Goldstein
Attorney for the Minor

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Abogada para El Menor

EN LA CORTE SUPERIOR DEL ESTADO DE ARIZONA EN Y PARA EL CONDADO DE MARICOPA

En el caso de:) No. JD536519
)
)
DANTE ALDAHIR)
LIZARRAGA ESQUER) **NOTIFICACION DE AUDIENCIA**
) **SOBRE EL NOMBRAMIENTO DE**
) **UN TUTOR**
Fecha de Nacimiento: 24/12/2016)
(persona menor de 18 años))
) Honorable Comisaria Nicole Brickner
)

A: **Luis Alejandro Lizarraga Enriquez**, padre o tutor del menor dicho.

1. Se notifica que la abogada, Cooper Richardson, sometió una Moción para Nombrar un Tutor según Título 8 de las leyes revisadas de Arizona, reglas 4.1 y 4.2 de las reglas de procedimiento civil, y reglas 344 y 345 de las reglas de procedimiento de la corte juvenil.

2. Se fija una audiencia para considerar la petición para el **04 de diciembre del 2026 a las 9:50 a.m. (9:50 a.m. en Sonora, MX)**, en el Centro de Tribunal Juvenil de Maricopa, **3131 W. Durango St., Phoenix, AZ 85009**, ante la Honorable Comisaria Nicole Brickner, para el propósito de determinar si existe un padre o tutor quien quiere disputar los alegatos de la moción.

3. Usted y sus hijos tienen derecho a tener un abogado presente en la audiencia. Usted puede contratar su propio abogado o si no puede pagarle a un abogado pero quiere ser representado por un abogado, la corte le puede asignar un abogado.

4. Usted tiene el derecho de aparecer como un partido en estos procedimientos. Se le advierte que si usted no aparece en la corte en la audiencia inicial, la conferencia preliminar, cualquier conferencia o adjudicación, sin demostrar una buena razón, el Tribunal podrá considerar su inasistencia como una renuncia de sus derechos y no está en contra de las declaraciones hechas en la moción. Además, si no aparece, sin buena razón, la audiencia podrá llevarse a cabo sin usted, y podrá resultar en la cancelación de la patria potestad y/o el establecimiento de una tutela permanente basado en el récord y la evidencia presentado a la Corte, y además una orden de paternidad, custodia, o cambio de custodia en un asunto de ley familiar consolidado y una orden para apoyo de menor si la paternidad se establece.

5. Si usted está recibiendo esta Notificación por publicación, usted puede obtener copias de la Moción de Tutela y Noticia de Audiencia si envía una solicitud escrita a: Samantha Pfaff-Goldstein, P.O. Box 32670, Phoenix, AZ 85064 o puede llamar (602) 283-4791, o por correo electrónico al spaff@firrp.org.

6. El Tribunal Superior del Condado de Maricopa está llevando a cabo la audiencia de forma remota. Se les indica a las partes que se conecten a través de <https://tinyurl.com/jbzm-c-juj09> o llamando al +1 (917) 781-4590, Código de Participante 292 462 301#. Si las partes desean comparecer en persona, deben solicitarlo a su abogado o, si no están representados por un abogado, a la división correspondiente llamando al (602) 372-2053.

7. Solicitudes para acomodaciones razonables para personas con incapacidades necesitan ser hechas por lo menos tres días de trabajo antes del procedimiento de corte, y pueden ser hechas al llamar al (602) 372-2053.

8. Usted tiene el derecho a solicitar o hacer una petición antes de cualquier audiencia que la audiencia sea cerrada al público.

SOMETIDO este 13 día de octubre del 2026.

Por /s/ Samantha Pfaff-Goldstein
Samantha Pfaff-Goldstein
Abogada para el Menor

Public Notice

Public Notice:

Arium Networks is proposing to install a 32-foot light pole telecommunications utility structure located within the public right of way at the following site: the northwest corner of the intersection of E Woodland Dr and S 46th St, Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona 85048 (33 18 6.07N / 111 59 5.752W). The facility is not expected to be FAA lighted. Arium Networks invites comments from any interested party on the impact of the proposed action on any districts, sites, buildings, structures or objects significant in American history, archaeology, engineering or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places and/or specific reason the proposed action may have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Specific information regarding the project is available by contacting EBI Consulting, Project #260075626PR, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at (617) 715-1822.

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ORDINANCE NO. 26-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE FOUNTAIN HILLS TOWN CODE CHAPTER 16, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, BY REPEALING ARTICLES 16-2, SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES, AND 16-3, UTILITY SERVICE ANTENNAS, AND ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 19, SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES; UTILITY SERVICE ANTENNAS TO THE TOWN CODE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to replace the existing Town Code Chapter 16, Articles 16-2, Small Wireless Facilities, and 16-3 Utility Service Antennas, with a new Chapter 19, Small Wireless Facilities; Utility Service Antennas; and

WHEREAS, updated ordinance seeks to enhance the ability of the providers of telecommunication services to provide such services to the community quickly, effectively, and efficiently while protecting residential areas from potential adverse impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that technology and laws regarding these facilities have changed, so the Town's regulations need to change accordingly; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article II, Sections 1 and 2, Constitution of Arizona, and the laws of the State of Arizona, the Town Council has considered the individual property rights and personal liberties of the residents of the Town and the probable impact of the proposed ordinance on the cost to construct housing for sale or rent before adopting this ordinance.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health, and safety of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, an emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall become immediately operative and in force from and after the date of adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, ARIZONA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The recitals above are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. Articles 16-2 and 16-3 of the Fountain Hills Code are hereby repealed as provided in Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. Chapter 19, Small Wireless Facilities; Utility Service Antennas is added to the Town Code as provided in Exhibit B.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, such provision or portion hereof shall be deemed separate, distinct and independent of all other provisions and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE - WHEREAS, it is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health, and safety of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, an emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall become immediately operative and in force from and after the date of adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, this 6th day of October, 2026.

TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, ARIZONA
/s/Gerry M. Friedel, Mayor

ATTEST:
/s/Angela Padgett-Espiritu, Deputy Town Clerk
For Bevelyn Bender, Town Clerk

REVIEWED BY:
/s/Rachael Goodwin, Town Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/Tim La Sota, Town Attorney

AMENDED EXHIBIT A and B | Available in the Town Clerk's Office

Publish: Fountain Hills Times Independent, October 16, 23, 2026/50702_1

Public Notice

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Please be advised, Ray Smith with SWS Engineering, Inc., will host a Neighborhood Meeting to discuss the project referenced below. Any member of the public may participate in this conversation as it pertains to this project by utilizing the access information provided under Meeting Details below. According to Surprise Municipal Code, the applicant is required to host a Neighborhood Meeting to present their project to the public while soliciting feedback and providing answers to questions. Please note, the City of Surprise is not the host of this meeting; however, the assigned City Planner will be available to provide information as needed in response to inquiries received from residents.

Applicant: Ray Smith, 602-793-3243, ray@sws-engr.com

City of Surprise: Alex Ferruccio, 623-222-3164, alex.ferruccio@surpriseaz.gov

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING DETAILS

DATE: Monday, November 16, 2026
TIME: 6:00 PM
PHYSICAL LOCATION: Marley Park Elementary School
15042 W Sweetwater Ave.
Surprise, AZ 85379

MEETING LOCATION



PROJECT LOCATION



PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A Conditional Use Permit with Site Plan for the construction of an approximate 900 square foot drive through restaurant facility on a vacant pad located west of the northwest corner of Litchfield Road and Waddell Road. Surprise Planning Case FS26-0365.

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