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## City water rates expected to rise

By Teri Carnicelli

Aging water lines in need of repair and replacement, combined with an expected shortage of Colorado River water in the future, have led the city of Phoenix to propose raising water rates to collect the necessary funds to combat these issues.

The Water Services Department is recommending a 6 percent water rate increase in 2019 and a 6 percent water rate increase for 2020. There is no proposed sewer rate increase. The rate increases were unanimously approved by a Citizens Water Rate Advisory Committee on Aug. 16.

Phoenix water rates contain a generous “allowance” of water that is included each month in the fixed charge. For those that keep their water consumption low and within this allowance, average monthly bills will increase by only approximately \$1 per month in 2019 and by an additional 75 cents per month in 2020. Average water uses will see an increase of \$2.35

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Fourth graders at Desert View Elementary—part of the Washington Elementary School District—listen to instructions from PE teacher Vicky Bonavito as they prepare for a game of “mosquito tag.” WESD has an M&O override extension on the Nov. 6 ballot, and if it fails, programs like PE, art, music and full-day kindergarten would likely be cut back throughout the entire district (photo by Teri Carnicelli).

## Two school overrides set for Nov. 6 ballot

By Teri Carnicelli

Two school districts in the North Central Phoenix area are asking to extend budget overrides that were previously okayed by voters.

The Washington Elementary School District (WESD) has called for a special Maintenance and Operations Budget Override election on the Nov. 6 ballot. So, too, has the Glendale Union High School District (GUHSD).

An M&O override asks voters within the district to approve additional maintenance and operations funding for local schools, earmarked for specific educational purposes and generated through local property tax levies. With voter approval, state law allows a school district to override these limits and increase the budget by up to 15 percent of the district’s Revenue Control Limit.

The money approved earlier this year by the Arizona Legislature increased the base support budget for school districts. The additional funds were intended to increase teacher salaries. Those districts who fulfilled that promise are still left short for other areas.

WESD’s 15-percent override was most recently approved by voters in 2013, but has actually been in place since 1990. Each new budget override is in effect for seven years. With voter approval to contin-

ue the override, it is estimated that the total amount of the override for fiscal year 2019-2020 will be \$19,342,879. If the override is not approved, the existing 15 percent override will begin to phase down by one-third each year beginning in 2019-2020 and be completely gone in 2021-2022.

WESD’s override will help maintain present levels of service in existing programs, including: full-day academic programs for kindergarten students; comprehensive services for students who require intervention to succeed academically; enhanced programs for students in art, music, and physical education; and continuing to provide choices for parents regarding special programs (e.g. Gifted).

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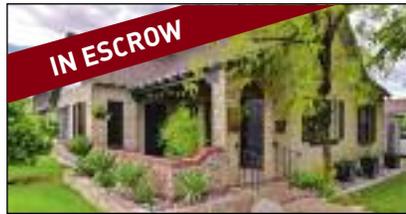
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## No light rail through Sunnyslope, after all

Preliminary plans for a suggested light rail route through the Sunnyslope community, from Metrocenter Mall on to Paradise Valley Mall, have been effectively scrapped by the Phoenix City Council.

The council members voted on Oct. 3 to “delay” the Light Rail Northeast Expansion, which was still in the visioning stages. Since the expansion was not scheduled to open until 2034, and has now been postponed even further, it’s likely it will never be built at all.

There were two proposed routes to Paradise Valley Mall; one was a 12-mile route that would travel from Indian School Road to around 24th Street, possibly up the I-51 or close to it, and then over to around Tatum and Cactus. The other proposed route offered an 8-mile stretch that would travel from the Metrocenter Mall station east along

Dunlap Avenue to 7th Street, and then up Cave Creek and east on Cactus Road.

Many residents of Sunnyslope had already expressed opposition to the route coming through the heart of their community, and were gearing up to fight what could have been a years-long battle. More than 50 residents attended an already planned meeting by Valley Metro on Oct. 13, hosted by the Sunnyslope Historical Society.

The money for the proposed expansion to Paradise Valley Mall was to come from the Transportation 2050 Plan, a voter-approved sales tax passed in 2015. But funds for that specific project have yet to be collected since other projects are much further up in the queue, including the Northwest Phase II Extension to Metrocenter Mall, scheduled to open in 2023.

The Phoenix City Council has indicated that any money collected in the future for the proposed northeast expansion would likely be redirected to much-needed road repairs instead.

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**WATER RATES continued from page 1**

in 2019 and an additional monthly increase of \$2.29 in 2020.

For those with heavier water usage, including homeowners with large properties of “green” landscape, the rate roughly translates into a monthly increase of \$4.66 in 2019 and \$5.14 in 2020.

Residents have an opportunity to learn more about the proposed rate increases, the causes behind them, and have their questions answered during a public meeting 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 at Burton Barr Library, 1221 N. Central Ave.

“Our challenge is pretty clear. Out here in the middle of the desert, we need to make sure 1.6 million people get reliable, clean, safe water delivery every day,” says Water Services Director Kathryn Sorensen. “Phoenix has done many things to plan for its water supply over many decades. There is a basket of opportunity that we rely on that includes a combination of river water, groundwater and reclaimed water.”

She says that users have become more water conscious, and as a result even though the population has increased, water rates themselves have fallen 30 percent over the last 20 years. “Efficiency is up. But it’s just not enough,” she points out. “The Colorado River water has been over-allocated; we are in year 18 of a drought, and the Lake Mead reservoir and Lake Powell are at historic lows.” The Colorado River climate overall is

becoming more arid. Due to a combination of higher temperatures and decreased snowpacks, flows from the Colorado River are expected to diminish by 25 percent in the next decade. The far north portion of Phoenix gets its water almost exclusively from the Colorado River.

“We have to plan for that anticipated drop in river water,” Sorensen explains. “There are many ways that can be accomplished, including ‘banking’ water and building up capacities in wells.”

To that end, an agreement has been reached with Salt River Project (SRP) to provide Phoenix with access to additional storage capacity in certain SRP-owned-and-operated underground water storage facilities. This allows Phoenix to store currently unused portions of its annual allocation of Colorado River water for later recovery during potential shortage events.

The city also is in the process of building a new large reservoir at the Deer Valley Water Treatment Plant, 3030 W. Dunlap Ave., to replace the old one built in the 1960s that had irreparable damage and was closed in 2011. But to pump that reservoir water north, the city needs very large transmission mains and pump stations along the way. A five-year plan of \$500 million for Colorado River storage includes construction costs of these new mains and stations.

“Phoenix has planned for enough water, but not in the right places. We need to plan to get it moved,”

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Sorensen says. “It will take years, but we have enough time to be ready, if we start now.”

The other looming issue the city is dealing with is its aging infrastructure. The water services department has been around for 110 years. There are pipelines that were installed in the 1920s and 1930s. Given their age and the materials that were used at the time, there is a likelihood of multiple failures. There are 7,000 miles of water pipelines and 450,000 service lines in the city.

The plan is to triple the amount spent on retrofitting those aging and failing pipes. The proposed rate increases would help fund \$525 million on pipeline repairs, through fiscal year 2022-23.

Residents can visit the Water Department’s home page at [www.phoenix.gov/waterservices](http://www.phoenix.gov/waterservices) to read more about the proposed rate increases and the Colorado River Outlook.

These recommendations will go to the Phoenix City Council for a vote on Wednesday, Dec. 12. If approved, the rates will go into effect Feb. 4, 2019.

### American flags to be ‘retired’

Worn, frayed and faded American flags will be “retired” by members of the Boy Scouts of America—Central District during a ceremony Sunday, Nov. 11, at 7 p.m. at North Mountain Park, 10608 N. 7th St.

Some of the older, worn-out flags were contributed by veterans, while 121 flags were collected by local scouts, including members from Troop 329, during the Fourth of July celebration at Royal Palm Park.

The U.S. Flag code states that, “the flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.”

The Scouts will place the flags in a fire as part of the ceremony. Veterans, elected officials, scouts and their family members and the public are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Roger Ottaway, Activities & Civic Services Chair for the BSA Central District, at [floottaway@aol.com](mailto:floottaway@aol.com).

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**OVERRIDES continued from page 1**

If WESD's new override is not approved, the current override would continue through the 2018-2019 school year. The district will plan to reduce the budget by over \$6 million in each of the following three years until the budget capacity is completely eliminated at the end of 2020-2021. Ultimately, current student programs and services may have to be reduced or eliminated.

GUHSD is hoping to continue the 10 percent override that it already has in place. The district operates nine high schools, including Sunnyslope, Washington and Thunderbird. According to a mailer sent out by Citizens for Quality Education, "Override funding supports GUHSD's academic excellence and helps ensure students are college- and career-ready upon graduation."

A Blue Ribbon Citizens Committee formed by the district earlier this year voted 67-1 in support of the need to continue the override. Voters previously approved an M&O override in

November 2009, and again in November of 2014.

The committee was unable to determine specific reductions to the district budget that would not have negative consequences to GUHSD's schools. Because budget reduction amounts are mandated by state statute, they offered more general areas for budget reduction decisions to be made by the district, should the override fail.

### Art class offers tips to paint child's wall

If you've ever wanted to decorate your child's bedroom wall with a beautiful mural but can't afford to hire a muralist, then these upcoming art classes might just be your answer.

Instructor Dorota Lagida-Ostling will teach you what you need to know at the 19North Arts Center, 1820 W. Northern Ave.

Sponsored by the Phoenix Center for the Arts, "Painting for a Child's Bedroom" classes include: Cats, Sunday, Nov. 4 (\$50); Farm Animals,

Sunday, Nov. 11 (\$42); and Giraffes & Flamingos, Sunday, Nov. 18 (\$42). Each class runs from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and provides instructions and materials including paints and brushes. No painting experience is required, and classes are open to ages 16 and older. Take what you learn home with you and decorate that empty wall.

For more information or to register, visit <https://phoenixcenterforthearts.org/19north/>.

### Art walk seeks sponsors, artists

The Sunnyslope Art Walk will make its long-anticipated spring return on Saturday, March 2, 2019. Organizers are seeking local business sponsors to help return the popular event to its days of glory.

Sponsors are needed to help fund promotional materials, barricades, nighttime lighting, and more. The event is expected to draw several thousand people—a great way to get your business information in front of a large audience. For additional information,

contact Warren Davis at 602-612-3960.

The art walk will run along the sidewalks and some adjacent parking areas, from Dunlap Avenue south to the canal. A call to artists will go out in December, but to get information now and get on the application distribution list, contact Erin Dover at 602-699-5818. Any other questions, send an e-mail to [SunnyslopeArtWalk@gmail.com](mailto:SunnyslopeArtWalk@gmail.com).

### Library hosts Local Author Fair

Phoenix Public Library will host a Local Author Fair 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at Burton Barr Central Library, 1221 N. Central Ave. Come meet local authors, discover their work and hear about their inspirations. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Genres include children's, teen, adult, fiction and non-fiction.

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### We're coming up on year's end!

Happy almost Thanksgiving 2018! It just does not seem right that there are only 60 more days before 2019 hits upon us?

I have often written here in this monthly article how much has changed for the better in North Central starting with all the new restaurants on Central Avenue, 7th Street and 16th Street. Additionally, watching Uptown Plaza, where my old nightclub, The Jockey Club was located for eight years (1987-1995) has revitalized Central and Camelback into an incredible location filled with a mix of excellent retail, restaurants and one of the best grocery stores in the Valley, AJ'S.

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Fall temps mean the return of fall fun, including the annual Blues, Brews & Arts Fest hosted by North Mountain Brewing on Sunday, Nov. 4 and featuring a full-day lineup of local musicians (submitted photo).

**Holiday events  
abound in November**

As the thermostat continues to drop and we are all reminded of why we live here, outdoor festivals begin to dot the calendar, whether celebrating food, art, culture, or the upcoming holiday season.

**Lura Turner Homes' 34th Annual Boutique Craft Fair**  
**9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3**  
**Crossroads United Methodist Church**  
**7901 N. Central Ave.**  
**602-943-4789**

Local vendors kick off the holiday shopping season, featuring unique treasures, holiday decorations, craft items, candles, eats & treats, and more. Free admission and parking. All proceeds benefits Lura Turner Homes, which supports adults with developmental disabilities.

**Arizona Fall Fest:  
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**10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3**  
**Hance Park**  
**1242 N. Central Ave.**

A free family friendly event and an annual celebration of all things local to Arizona. The festival features more than 200 local vendors, live music, food samples from local restaurants and food trucks (pre-purchase tasting tickets for \$1 each), the Hensley Beverage Garden (21 and older), kids activities, a silent auction and raffle, and much more. Admission is free. Visit <https://localfirstaz.com/events/arizona-fall-festival>.

**Shemer Arizona  
Arts Festival**

**10 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 3-4**  
**Shemer Art Center**  
**5005 E. Camelback Road**

Artists from all across Arizona will feature one-of-a-kind works of art, plus there will be demonstrating artists (glass blowing, blacksmithing, pottery wheel-throwing, etc.), live entertainment, a children's interactive Kids Zone with arts activities (\$5 admission), live music, food and beverage vendors, a silent auction and more. Admission is free. Find more information under the Events tab at <https://shemerartcenter.org>.

**Blues, Brews & Arts Fest**  
**11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4**  
**North Mountain Brewing**  
**522 E. Dunlap Ave.**

Offering some of the Valley's best musical talent plus lots of fabulous merchandise from local artists along with great food and craft beers. Advance tickets are \$12.50, at the door \$15. Children ages 12 and younger get in for free. Camping chairs welcome, WiFi available. Gates open at 11 a.m., National Anthem presented at 11:25 a.m. To purchase tickets and see a lineup of performers, visit [www.nmblues-brewsandartsfest.com](http://www.nmblues-brewsandartsfest.com).

**Magic Moments Boutique**  
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el and accessories, holiday home décor, a variety of items for pets and pet lovers, children's items (including clothing, doll clothes & toys), pottery, woodworking, and delectable homemade baked goods and dip mixes for the holidays. Your donation of a non-perishable food item for the Desert Mission Food Bank accepted at the door. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

**Scandinavian Jul Bazaar**  
**10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10**  
**Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church**  
**1500 W. Maryland Ave.**  
**602-942-5180**

Free admission. The Nordic countries of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden invite you to their annual Jul Bazaar. Antiques and vintage treasures, collectibles, rosemaling, handcrafted arts, books, music and movies are among your shopping choices. And while you shop, enjoy the many Scandinavian food booths offering yellow pea soup and rye bread, homemade frikadeller, lapskaus, lufse, waffles,

cookies, pastries and more.

**Desert Song Art Festival**  
**10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10**  
**Desert Song Healing Arts Center**  
**3232 N. 20th St.**  
**602-265-8222**

Featuring more than two dozen Arizona artists offering everything from jewelry, mixed-media angels, hand-sewn fabric art, ceramics, fused glass, hand-made soaps, hand-knits, painting and photography, to henna tattoos, wood-burning, candles and aromatherapy products. Food can be purchased from the What's Fresh food truck and complimentary chair massages will be available, along with door prizes featuring some of the artists' works. Admission is free.

**Holiday Crafts Sale**  
**9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10**  
**Devonshire Senior Center**  
**2802 E Devonshire Ave.**

This well-attended annual event will offer all handmade items, including holiday crafts, artwork, jewelry, baked goods, jams and more. For those

crafters who would like to be part of the sale, 6-foot tables are available for only \$10 per table. Call 602-256-3130 for more information.

**Camelback Community Market**  
**9 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17**  
**Goodwill Parking lot,**  
**1625 W. Camelback Road**

Get a jump on your holiday shopping and find unique gift ideas during this special seasonal mini market featuring Camelback Corridor gardeners, artists, business owners, handmade crafts from internationally relocated residents, and more. Admission is free.

**Calico Boutique Craft Fair**  
**9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17**  
**North Phoenix Baptist Church**  
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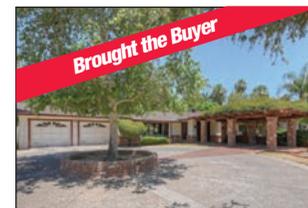
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## Rehab center use permit is approved

By Teri Carnicelli

The use permit request for a 55-bed inpatient drug and alcohol rehab center in Sunnyslope was approved last month by a Phoenix zoning administrator, but neighbors say the fight is far from over.

The use permit hearing was held on Sept. 20, and Zoning Administrator Frank Dolasinski exercised his option to “take it under advisement,” not releasing his final ruling until Oct. 15. Although he attached several stipulations to his ruling, representatives of Native American Connections (NAC), the nonprofit organization developing the Patina Mountain Preserve rehab and housing project at 1431 E. Dunlap Ave., were overall pleased with his ruling.

“We look forward to continuing to work with the neighborhood and be part of the solution for those afflicted with drug and alcohol issues in the neighborhood and the City of Phoenix,” said Joe Keeper, director of Real Estate Development for NAC.

Dolasinski found no evidence that

the 55-bed rehab center would create undue noise, pollution or traffic in the area, particularly since under the present zoning more than 200 apartments could be built there. He also determined that it would not cause property values in the area to dip appreciably, despite neighbors’ assertions to the contrary.

With the stipulations, he did limit the maximum capacity of the rehab center to no more than 55 beds. He also directed NAC to make sure that all neighborhood groups registered with the city of Phoenix within 1,320 feet of the site are given the contact information of the manager of the facility. Beginning six months after receiving the certificate of occupancy for the center, the facility manager will initiate regular updates regarding neighborhood concerns with adjacent property owners and neighborhood associations.

Those who opposed his ruling had until Oct. 30 to file an appeal with the city’s Board of Adjustment, which many had indicated early on they would do should the use permit be approved. However, it was unknown as of press time if an appeal was filed.

## Military kids eligible for \$10,000 award

Operation Homefront is accepting nominations for the 2019 Military Child of the Year Awards, as well as applications for the 2019 Military Child of the Year Award for Innovation. Nominations are open through Dec. 5.

The annual awards will recognize seven outstanding young people ages 13 to 18 who are legal dependents of a service member or military retiree. Six recipients will represent a branch of the armed forces—the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, and National Guard—demonstrating resiliency, leadership, and achievement during their parents’ military service.

The seventh award is the Military Child of the Year Award for Innovation, which goes to a military child who has designed a bold and creative solution to address a local, regional, or global challenge.

The award recipients will be flown with a parent or guardian to Washington, D.C., and recognized at an April 18 gala, where they will receive \$10,000 each and a laptop computer.

To nominate a child for the award, visit [www.militarychildoftheyear.org](http://www.militarychildoftheyear.org) and click the Nominations tab.



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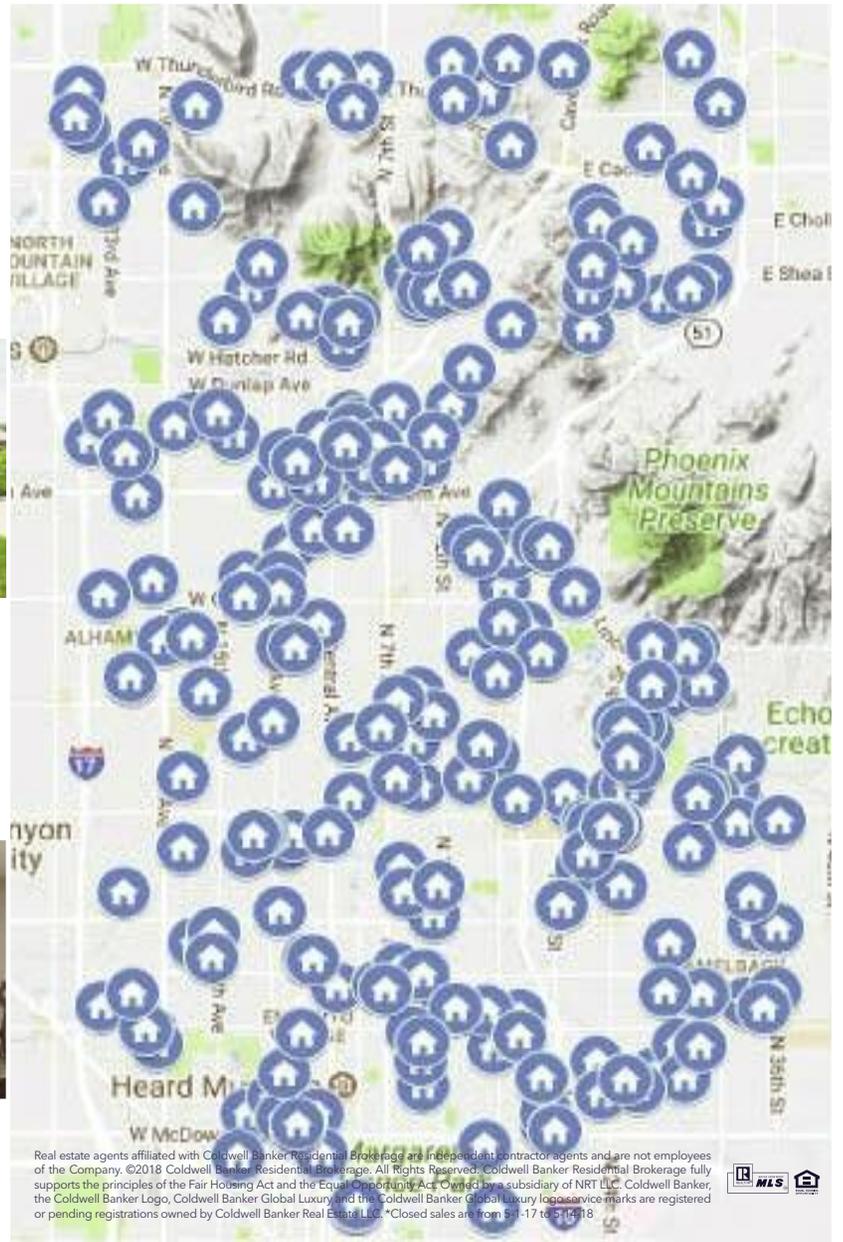
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Shirley absolutely loves being the center of attention and craves pets from her people. Easily excited when she is interacting with people, Shirley becomes a big ball of fluff when she wiggles and rolls around on her back. Plus, the moment you pet her she instantly starts purring and is always curious and interested in everything around her.

See the luxurious Shirley for yourself by visiting her at the Arizona Humane Society's Sunnyslope Campus, located at 9226 N. 13th Ave. Her adoption fee is \$50 and includes microchip and vaccinations. For more information, visit [www.azhumane.org/adopt](http://www.azhumane.org/adopt).



Shirley, a beautiful 4-year-old domestic longhair, loves being the center of attention. She is available for adoption now from the Arizona Humane Society (submitted photo).

**'Cat from Hell' host comes to Phoenix**

TV celebrity and cat behaviorist Jackson Galaxy brings his love for cats to 16 cities across the country in a rare live event experience where he will share his expertise and "Cat Mojo" – his unique philosophy that teaches cat guardians the skills to help their feline friends build confidence within their environment.

Popularly known as "The Cat Daddy," Galaxy is the host and executive producer of Animal Planet's long running hit show "My Cat From Hell," currently in its tenth season with new episodes airing every Saturday.

"Total Cat Mojo Live" will make a stop Friday, Dec. 7 at Comerica Theatre in downtown Phoenix. For more information on tickets and meet-and-greets, visit [JacksonGalaxy.com/Events](http://JacksonGalaxy.com/Events).

**Cat Café visits North Phoenix**

PHX Animal Behavior Center is partnering up with La Gattara Cat Lounge and Boutique to bring the cat café experience to North Phoenix. If you have not had a chance to make it to La Gattara in Tempe, the cat café is a place where cat lovers can spend time playing with adoptable cats and kittens and possibly find a new fur-ever friend.

The pop-up cat café will be held once a month at PHX Animal Behavior Center, 12235 N. Cave Creek Road, Ste. 13, so that people from the north part of the Valley can experience the same magic as those that have had a chance to spend time in the regular lounge.

The next pop up café will be held on Nov. 18, and again on Dec. 23. The cost to attend is \$10 per person and



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## Dogs' Day in the Garden

The Desert Botanical Garden, 1201 N. Galvin Pkwy, in conjunction with the Arizona Humane Society, hosts Dogs' Day in the Garden from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17.

Activities will include crafts for all ages, dog yoga (doga), special presentations, and much more. Go for a walk on garden trails, meet other dog lovers, heel for family photo opportunities, learn about local dog-related nonprofits, shop and enjoy samples with your pup, and experience hands-on, canine-themed activities.

Dogs must be on a leash and remain on marked trails at all times. Cost is regular garden admission, plus \$4 per dog (dog admission benefits AHS). For more information, call 480-941-1225 or visit [www.dbg.org](http://www.dbg.org).

## LeashTV seeks great dog videos for contest

LeashTV, launched earlier this year by The Internet Television Factory, streams tail-wagging entertainment for your faithful pup on your computer 24/7/365, displaying all sizes and species of LeashTV dogs, and programming that informs what four-legged friends do for us and what dog owners can do for them in kind.

After a soft launch in September 2018, the network is ready to howl with its "Greatest Dog Videos in the World" contest, a chance for dog lovers around the globe to share that love and get their Spot a spot on LeashTV.

Videos being sought range from greatest athletics, greatest dog tricks, greatest costumes, and greatest behavior stories, to most commendable rescues, and most hilarious dog memes. Also contenders are worst dog videos—mutts making the biggest mess, hounds howling the most unlistenable howls, most awkward aqua dog swimmers and well, just plain stupid dog videos. If they're funny and endearing, LeashTV wants them.

First prize is a year's supply of dog food, second prize is a year of concerts (one a month for a year) at Celebrity Theatre, and third prize is a LeashTV Canine Christmas Gift Box, stuffed with holiday swag for your tail-wagger. Entries must be received by Nov. 7. Include your name, your dog's name, e-mail and phone number, and e-mail them to [woof@leashtv.com](mailto:woof@leashtv.com). The winners will be announced on Dec. 8.

## Pet food drive aids struggling families

As we enter the season of giving and gratitude, local pet supply store Kodi's Nature Pet Foods is hosting a pet food drive for the Chuck Waggin' Pet Food Pantry, a division of PACC911. Too many people are abandoning their pets because they can no longer afford to keep them. Chuck Waggin's mission is to provide pet food and pet service referrals to keep pets and the families who love them together.

Pet food donations can be placed in the collection box inside Kodi's, located at 6058 N. 16th St., just north of Bethany Home Road on the west side of the street. Kodi's is open seven days a week; hours vary. Visit [www.kodis-naturalpetfoods.com](http://www.kodis-naturalpetfoods.com) for details.

For more information about Chuck Waggin' Pet Food Pantry, call 602-686-8104 or visit [www.chuckwaggin.org](http://www.chuckwaggin.org).

## City YouTube channel features 'Phoenix Pets'

Phoenix is all about its furry friends. Pets are part of the city's extended family and are welcome in so many places. For some time now, the city's PHXTV channel has been exploring where "fur families" can have a good time, as part of its series, "Phoenix Pets."

Viewers on PHXTV and at the city's YouTube channel can enjoy the latest installments of "Phoenix Pets," including "Navigator Buddies" and "Phoenix Pet Friendly Places." A total of four episodes have been produced quarterly since 2017.

At the end of the show, there are some pet friendly tips that can always come in handy as a pet owner. To view all of the episodes, look for the playlist on the city of Phoenix's YouTube page at [www.youtube.com/user/cityof-phoenixaz](http://www.youtube.com/user/cityof-phoenixaz), click on "Playlists" at the top, and scroll down to Phoenix Pets.

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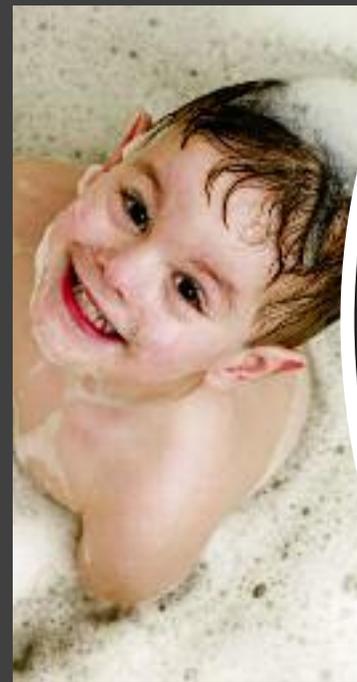
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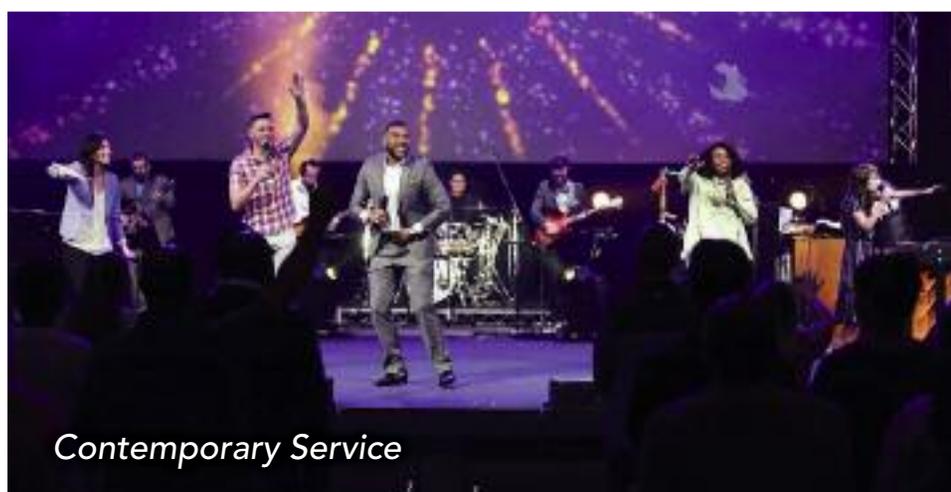
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#### AASRA Meeting

9:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 5  
All Saints Episcopal Church  
6300 N. Central Ave.  
602-371-3679

The Phoenix/Scottsdale Unit of the All Arizona School Retirees Association (AASRA) will feature Dave King from the Arizona State Retirement System, who will update members and guests on health insurance options for the coming year. Coffee, pastries and socializing will be from 9:30-10 a.m., followed by King from 10-11 a.m. AASRA membership includes anyone who is retired from working in the educational system. Friends and family members of retirees also are welcome.

#### Open House for REACH Program

6-7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7  
Madison School District Office,  
Governing Board Room  
5601 N. 16th St.  
602-664-7931

Madison School District will host an informal evening to give parents of highly gifted children information about the REACH Program and the admissions process. This gathering is open to all parents, both inside and outside of the Madison School District. Teachers, administrators, and students will be available to answer any questions. No RSVP needed.

#### America's First Fighter

10 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10  
Sunnyslope Historical Society  
737 E. Hatcher Road  
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This free presentation highlights the Nieuport 28, a lightweight and highly maneuverable biplane fighter aircraft designed by Frenchman Gustave Delage, and used by four American squadrons between March and August 1918, during World War I, becoming the first aircraft to see operational service with an American fighter squadron. This presentation will tie in to the battleship USS Arizona and a number of movies during the interwar period prior to WW II. Lunch is available for \$2 for current member, \$5 for non-members, and free for historical society volunteers. Browse the gift shop while you are there.

#### Parking Lot Sale & Car Wash

8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17  
Sunnyslope High School  
35 W. Central Ave.

The SHS Key Club will host a yard sale and car wash in the east parking lot. Get your car washed for a \$5 donation, and browse the yard sale items while you wait. If you have items to contribute to the sale, contact Club Advisor Michelle Schwimmer at 623-915-8760. Proceeds benefit the Key Club and its social service programs.

#### CrossRoads UMC 60th Anniversary

9:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 18  
CrossRoads United Methodist Church  
7901 N. Central Ave.

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#### How 'Fake News' Hurts Credibility

6:30 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 20  
Beatitudes Luther Life Center  
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The Phoenix Branch of AAUW will host Phil Boas, editor of the editorial pages of *The Arizona Republic* and director of the newspaper's Community Leadership Department. He will speak on the topic of today's media and "fake news." The program begins after an optional dinner (\$15) at 5:30 p.m. RSVP for the dinner to 602-510-1544 by Nov. 17. Visitors are welcome.

#### Women's Empowerment Luncheon

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27  
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Join the YWCA and Emmy award-winning actress Lindsay Wagner, who also pursued vigorous studies in holistic healing modalities from around the world. This presentation will explore one of the most empowering realizations in her life. Hear how Wagner awakened the joy, compassion, and creativity within her. Tickets are \$65 for YWCA members and \$75 for non-members. Visit <https://ywcaaz.org/calendar>.

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**F.Q. Story hosts holiday home tour**

The F.Q. Story Preservation Association hosts its 34th Annual F.Q. Story Holiday Home Tour and Street Fair, Dec. 1-2. This year's tour features charming historic homes on Culver and Moreland streets, west of 7th Avenue.

The F.Q. Story Historic Neighborhood was named after the prestigious landowner of the area in the 1900s—Francis Quarles Story. The district boundary runs from McDowell Road south to Roosevelt Street, and from 7th Avenue west to Grand Avenue.

The celebration begins on Saturday from 6 to 9 p.m. with holiday-inspired streets lined with luminarias and holiday lights. There will be food trucks, live music and coffee and hot chocolate available for purchase. There is no charge to participate in the street festival. On Sunday in addition to touring homes, enjoy holiday shopping while visiting dozens of craft vendors and



This charming corner house on West Culver Street is one of eight to be featured on this year's F.Q. Story home tour (photo by Teri Carnicelli).

food booths at the F.Q. Story Street Fair. Sunday's hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tickets for the actual home tour are \$15 in advance, purchased online through Nov. 30. Visit <http://www.fqstory.org/hometour>. The day of the tour, tickets are \$20 each, or \$19 with a non-perishable food item donation. The

ticket booth will be located at 9th Avenue and Culver Street (three blocks south of McDowell Road). A street trolley will be available for those with minor mobility issues (not wheelchair accessible).

For questions, call 602-730-4377 or e-mail [fqstoryhometour@gmail.com](mailto:fqstoryhometour@gmail.com).

**Bonsai, pottery exhibit at garden**

The Japanese Friendship Garden of Phoenix invites residents to its fourth-annual Bonsai Exhibit. The exhibit takes place 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 at the garden, 1125 N. 3rd Ave.

The word "Bonsai" is a Japanese term, which translates as "planted in a container." This art form is derived from an ancient Chinese horticultural practice, part of which was then redeveloped under the influence of Japanese Zen Buddhism. It has been around for well over a thousand years.

This year the garden will join its Bonsai exhibit with another piece of Japanese artistry, pottery and an Ikenobo Ikebana (Traditional Flower arrangement) display. The Ikebana display will be open from 12-3 p.m.

There will be Bonsai hands-on presentations from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and a pottery demonstration at 11 a.m. A Bonsai lecture will begin at 1:30 p.m.

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**Free landscape watering workshop**

The city of Phoenix Water Services Department hosts a “Landscape Watering” workshop, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7 at the Saguaro Library, 2808 N. 46th St. Now that the weather has cooled, learn how to properly water your landscape for fall/winter to save time and increase the health and beauty of your plants.

The program is free and open to the public. To RSVP, call 602-261-8367.

**Artists’ studio tour south of Camelback**

The 9th-Annual Camelback Studio Tour and Art Sale is set for Nov. 2-4, between Camelback and McDowell roads, east of 44th St. Special works of art will be available for sale by 26 local

artists in nine different home studios. You may visit artist’s studios, see artist at work and purchase works of art directly from the artists.

The tour is free and self-guided. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. To download a map of the tour, visit <http://www.camelbackstudios.com>.

**Historical group hosts Dinner & Light Tour**

The Sunnyslope Historical Society hosts a Dinner & Holiday Light Tour, 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, leaving off from the Sunnyslope History Museum, 737 E. Hatcher Road.

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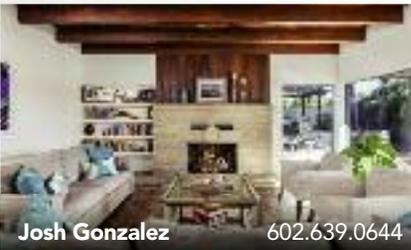
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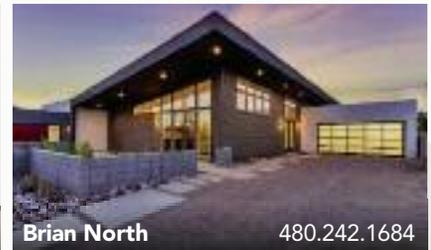
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North Central resident and business owner Michela Belluso practices her dance steps with partner Daniele Cavalo of Dance Starz AZ in preparation of her first public performance as part of Dancing For Arizona's Children, set for Dec. 1 (submitted photo).

## Belluso dances for AZ foster children

Davidson Belluso (D/B) co-owner Michela Belluso is putting her best foot forward to support a vital community

charity by performing at Dancing For Arizona's Children. The event, supporting the Arizona's Children Association, will be held Dec. 1, and Belluso, a North Central resident, has been get in some last-minute practice time.

There are nearly 15,000 children in Arizona's foster care system. Arizona's Children Association (ACA), one of the oldest and largest nonprofit child welfare and behavioral agencies in the state, provides a range of services including support to families, both in and out of the foster care system.

"When I was asked to support the children in our community, I immediately said yes," recalled Belluso, managing partner of D/B, a full-service marketing communications first located at 4105 N. 20th St., Suite 155. "So many kids are in really bad situations and the ACA provides options that they wouldn't otherwise have.

"Later, I learned I had to perform in front of more than 500 event attendees, which is terrifying to me," added Belluso with a smile. "But if the money we raise can help free children from fear, I'll gladly get over mine."

Belluso will be one of 16 community and business leaders who will be paired up with a professional dancer to perform at the event. All funds raised at the Dancing for Arizona's Children event, held at the JW Marriott Camelback Inn Resort and Spa, will go directly to Arizona's Children Association's "Strengthening Families" Fund.

Belluso has long been an advocate *please see DANCING on page 22*



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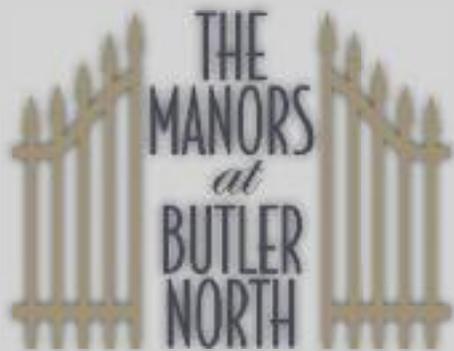


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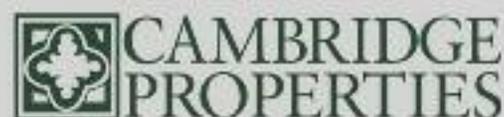


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for the less fortunate in the Metro Phoenix area through numerous volunteer and marketing efforts. The community can support Belluso's and the ACA's efforts by attending the event or purchasing a vote for People's Choice performer. Learn more at <https://www.arizonaschildren.org/michelabelluso/>.

**Business Briefs**

**Barry's True Value celebrates new space**

Barry's True Value celebrates the grand re-opening of its newly remodeled and expanded hardware store at 7820 N. 12th St.—next door to its old location. The community is invited to join in the grand re-opening festivities Nov. 2-4, including a "green bag" sale where customers receive a free reusable bag plus 20-percent off all regular priced items that you can fit inside the bag. In addition, the first 60 customers each day get a free 5-gallon True Value Bucket.

During the event customers who bring in three canned food items will

receive a \$5 coupon for their next visit. All donated cans will go to a local food pantry.

Barry's also will have great deals on paint including buy one gallon, get one gallon free specials, and customers can register to win great prizes like a Weber gas grill, pressure washer or a 22-inch self-propelled lawn mower. There will be special demos from your favorite brands like Milwaukee Tools, Trager and Weber and other prize giveaways throughout the weekend.

On Saturday, the Foster Hope Foundation will sell hotdogs and drinks for \$1.50 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Barry's True Value first opened six years ago. Barry McKay, owner, said he's excited about the expansion and relocation and feels they now have the right products and expert advice their customers need to complete a wide range of projects. "This grand re-opening event is a way for us to thank our customers for their business and to let the community know they can count on True Value," he says.

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**Drive collects toys for kids in foster care**

Mattress Firm Foster Kids, a company-wide philanthropic initiative aimed at making a positive impact on the lives of thousands of foster youth in need, has launched its annual Secret Santa Toy Drive.

All 100+ Mattress Firm stores in the Phoenix will collect new, unwrapped toys for foster youth from age birth through 17, during regular business hours from Nov. 1 through Dec. 16.

Monetary donations also can be made online at [www.mattressfirmfosterkids.org](http://www.mattressfirmfosterkids.org), and all gifts and funds will be used by Mattress Firm Foster Kids' foster care partners—Arizona Helping Hands, Arizona's Children Association and Foster Arizona—to give foster children a brighter holiday season.

For more information, visit [www.mattressfirmfosterkids.org](http://www.mattressfirmfosterkids.org).

**Cigar lounge opens in Sunnyslope area**

After more than a year of construction and extensive renovations, Embargo Cigar Lounge is set to open this month at 8341 N 7th St.

The shop will feature a variety of cigar options ranging in price from \$5 to \$30. The main focus will be on boutique manufacturers, while the rest will be familiar core products. An indoor smoking lounge will be available to sample your purchases.

"The industry has really changed a lot over the last few decades," said David Feinberg, lead humidor assistant, "and you can find some outstanding products from Nicaragua, Honduras and the Dominican Republic."

The shop sports a walk-in humidor, and locker storage space will be avail-

able for rent. A private members lounge has been constructed in a separate building on the other side of the 1,700-square-foot patio, which will have its own locker space and 24-7 access. The private member lounge will open in about six months, but memberships can be pre-purchased now.

A grand opening week-long celebration is set for Nov. 12-17, with a different manufacturers' rep on hand each day with samples and sales specials.

The grand opening festivities will wrap on Saturday, with more sales, a barbecue, live music and more.

Hours are expected to be 9 a.m.-9 p.m., seven days a week. For more information, call 602-831-2404 or visit [www.EmbargoCigars.com](http://www.EmbargoCigars.com).

**Richardson named a partner at Morris Hall**

Darren L. Richardson was named as a partner of the estate planning law firm of Morris Hall, PLLC.

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| 19 W. Frier Dr          | NEW PRICE        | .5246SF  | .5BR/5BA   | \$799,000   |
| 6725 N 7th St           | NEW PRICE        | .3471SF  | .3BR/2.5BA | \$825,000   |
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| 1441 E. Missouri Ave    | NEW PRICE        | .4293SF  | .5BR/4BA   | \$799,000   |
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| 27 E. San Miguel Ave    | IN ESCROW        | .2804SF  | .3BR/2.5BA | \$750,000   |
| 5738 N. 24th St         | IN ESCROW        | .2595SF  | .3BR/2BA   | \$695,000   |
| 8216 N. 14th St         | JUST LISTED      | .2505SF  | .4BR/3BA   | \$649,000   |
| 7210 N. 1st Pl          | NEW PRICE        | .2637SF  | .4BR/3BA   | \$625,000   |
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| 77 E. Missouri Ave #36  |                  | .3184SF  | .4BR/3BA   | \$549,900   |
| 1940 E. Cactus Wren Dr  |                  | .2909SF  | .4BR/3BA   | \$569,000   |
| 1251 W. Rancho Dr       | NEW PRICE        | .2812SF  | .3BR/2BA   | \$549,000   |
| 1801 W. Stella Ln       |                  | .3750SF  | .5BR/3BA   | \$549,900   |
| 77 E Missouri Ave #36   | JUST LISTED      | .3184SF  | .4BR/3BA   | \$549,900   |
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| 6317 N. 14th St         | NEW PRICE        | .1766SF  | .2BR/2BA   | \$339,000   |
| 1911 E. Montebello Ave  | IN ESCROW        | .2061SF  | .3BR/2BA   | \$325,000   |
| 6521 N. 5th Ave         | IN ESCROW        | .1934SF  | .3BR/3BA   | \$315,000   |
| 6539 N. Villa Manana Dr | IN ESCROW        | .2122SF  | .2BR/2BA   | \$308,000   |
| 711 E Boca Raton Rd     | NEW CONSTRUCTION | .1784SF  | .3BR/2.5BA | \$295,900   |
| 718 E Boca Raton Rd     | NEW CONSTRUCTION | .1640SF  | .3BR/2.5BA | \$282,900   |
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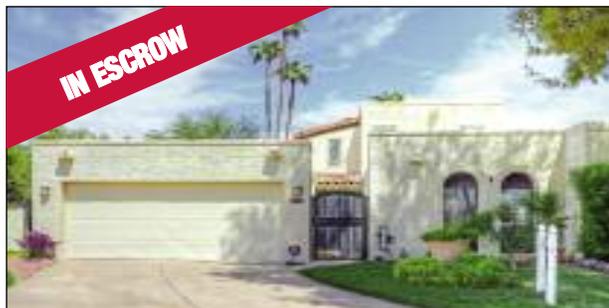
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| 6756 N Central Ave      | \$2,280,000 | 1230 E Luke Ave        | \$ 770,000 | 14392 W Becker Ln       | \$ 585,000 | 5244 N. 16th St         | \$ 498,000 | 1234 E. Hayward Ave.      | \$ 320,000 |
| 5829 E. Joshua Tree Ln. | \$1,550,000 | 6333 N. 4th Dr.        | \$ 765,000 | 8043 N 5th Ave          | \$ 582,750 | 8401 N. 17th Pl         | \$ 485,000 | 2747 E. Amelia Ave.       | \$ 315,000 |
| 3820 E. Mountain View   | \$1,350,000 | 314 E Rose Ln          | \$ 765,000 | 4210 E Carol Ann Ln     | \$ 575,000 | 1629 E Echo Ln          | \$ 480,000 | 6162 W. Wilkieup Ln.      | \$ 295,000 |
| 9789 N. 57th St.        | \$1,270,000 | 421 W Northview Ave    | \$ 720,000 | 4214 E Carol Ann Ln     | \$ 575,000 | 6821 N. 2nd Pl          | \$ 475,000 | 6040 N. 5th Ave.          | \$ 290,000 |
| 7170 N Central Ave.     | \$1,150,000 | 3030 E Squaw Peak Cr   | \$ 720,000 | 2145 E. Kaler Dr.       | \$ 575,000 | 302 W. Butler Dr.       | \$ 474,000 | 710 E. Boca Raton Rd.     | \$ 289,900 |
| 1761 E. Hatcher Dr.     | \$1,100,000 | 1400 W. Myrtle Ave.    | \$ 718,720 | 320 E. Orangewood Ave.  | \$ 575,000 | 7638 N. 5th Ave.        | \$ 465,000 | 11016 N 33rd St           | \$ 287,000 |
| 306 E. Wexford Cove     | \$1,000,000 | 1300 W. Myrtle Ave.    | \$ 715,000 | 1620 E. Echo Ln         | \$ 565,000 | 7140 N. 16th St.        | \$ 464,000 | 104 W. Fellars Dr.        | \$ 280,000 |
| 2 W Northview Ave       | \$ 975,000  | 11610 N. 17th Pl       | \$ 710,000 | 3800 E. Lincoln Dr. #29 | \$ 555,000 | 6311 N. 10th Ave.       | \$ 436,500 | 7156 N. 17th Dr.          | \$ 269,020 |
| 5750 N Central Ave      | \$ 970,000  | 1735 E. Aurelline Ave. | \$ 710,000 | 4230 E. Carol Ann Ln    | \$ 552,500 | 7802 N. 17th Ave        | \$ 420,000 | 16910 W. Theether Trail   | \$ 235,000 |
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| 10442 N 48th Pl         | \$ 890,000  | 31 W. Flynn Ln.        | \$ 642,000 | 11307 N. 34th St        | \$ 549,500 | 2807 N. 21st St         | \$ 345,000 | 5473 N Black Canyon #5431 | \$ 57,000  |
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## Health Briefs

### Learn life-saving CPR technique

HonorHealth offers a course in CPR 1:30-6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 in the at the Cowden Center, 9202 N. 2nd St.

The course is designed to help people recognize several life-threatening emergencies, provide CPR, and relieve choking in a safe, timely and effective manner. Cost is \$40.

Check-in starts at 12:30 pm. Class begins promptly at 1:30 p.m.; participants will not be allowed to enter the class after 1:40 p.m. All participants will received an AHA textbook.

Registration is required. Visit [www.honorhealth.com/events](http://www.honorhealth.com/events) or call 480-323-3936.

### Tips for navigating holiday stressors

North Central therapist Joan Matlock of The Women's Therapist at The Peak will offer the public a work-

shop on "Navigating the Holidays—Food, Family, Focus," 5:30-6:45 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5, featuring practical tips and strategies for a guilt-free holiday.

Cost is \$45 per person or \$75 for two people. RSVP to 623-396-5690 or 480-332-8127. The Women's Therapist at The Peak is located at 7301 N. 16th St., suite 102. For more information, visit [www.thewomenstherapist.com](http://www.thewomenstherapist.com).

### Health benefits of getting a flu shot

It's nice to give gifts to family members and friends. But there is one "gift" that is best not given to others, although it is sometimes unwittingly passed along—the flu.

Influenza, also known as the flu, is a contagious virus that can cause severe illness and even life-threatening complications. Flu viruses can cause high fever, headache, fatigue, dry cough, sore throat, runny nose, and body aches. Complications may include bacterial pneumonia, dehydration, and

aggravation of chronic medical conditions, such as congestive heart failure, asthma or diabetes. The flu spreads when an infected person coughs, sneezes or speaks, and the virus goes into the air and other people inhale it.

Every year, between 5 and 20 percent of Americans get sick from the flu. Most recover in one to two weeks, but approximately 200,000 people end up being hospitalized for flu-related complications. Those most likely to develop flu complications are children between the ages of 6 months and 19 years of age, adults age 50 and older, women who are pregnant during flu season, individuals living in nursing homes or long-term-care facilities, people with chronic health conditions, health care workers who have direct patient contact, and care givers of children less than 6 months old.

The best way to prevent passing the flu to others is to get an annual flu shot. The flu vaccine protects against the three viruses that are expected to be

the most common each year and usually becomes available in the fall. It may be given either as a shot or nasal spray, depending on the person's age and any existing health conditions.

Good health habits are especially important during flu season, which typically lasts from about October through February. Remember to cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and then wash your hands often to protect against germs. Use an alcohol-based sanitizer if soap and water are not available. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth since germs are often spread when you lay a hand on something that is contaminated with the flu virus and then touch yourself.

For more information, talk with your doctor or call 1-877-934-9355 for a free referral to a physician near you.

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**SCHOOL DAYS**



Claire Lee (standing, center), a senior at Grand Canyon University who is majoring in secondary education with an emphasis on mathematics, works with students in Katie Long's geometry class at Empower College Prep (photo by Teri Carnicelli).

## Charter school partners with GCU

By Teri Carnicelli

Empower College Prep has finalized a new partnership with Grand Canyon University (GCU), offering its high school students the opportunity to earn college credits starting this school year, as well as working with student teachers from GCU, and giving access to the college's Learning Lounge for Empower's students.

With a mission of providing every student the opportunity to go to college if they desire, Empower's partner-

ship with GCU gets students yet another step closer to achieving this goal, points out Brian Holman, executive director of Empower.

The tuition-free charter school first opened in 2016 at 2411 W. Colter St., after purchasing a medical offices campus that was almost fully constructed, but abandoned more than six years ago. After fixing damage from vandals over the years and putting the finishing touches in place, the school opened with a freshman class. In 2017, Empower added both an eighth grade and a tenth grade. This year, the school has a junior

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**SCHOOL DAYS**

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class of 52 students, which will see its first graduating seniors in 2020.

Currently the school offers dual enrollment in college-level credit classes in math and English. The teachers offering these classes first had to complete several classes to obtain certification from GCU.

“Being able to offer dual enrollment is big for a small school like ours,” says Bob Rossi, principal. “We hope to add a math option next year.”

Part of the new partnership also includes offering on-campus teaching opportunities through GCU’s teaching certification programs. Currently, five GCU students who need to complete their practicum hours are volunteering in classrooms, for math and Social Studies. Some are merely observing, while some are student teaching.

Claire Lee is a senior at Grand Canyon University who is majoring in secondary education, with an emphasis on mathematics. She started her student teaching at Empower in early September, and even though she completed her required 30 hours, she committed to stay on until the end of the semester, volunteering primarily in geometry and algebra classes.

“I like getting the mentorship from the teachers, seeing the different ways the explain math problems so that the students can really understand them,” Lee said. “I also really enjoy getting to know the students.”

In addition, Empower students can take advantage of GCU’s Learning Lounge study center, where high school students can receive free one-on-one and small group learning sessions, Monday through Friday from 3 to 8 p.m. GCU students who work in the

Learning Lounge are excelling college scholars in math and reading, specially trained to work with high school students. Empower provides bus passes to its students to go to the Learning Lounge if they are interested in taking advantage of the free service.

Currently at Empower College Prep there are about 400 students in grades 8-11, with a maximum capacity of about 600. However, the school is in the process of organizing financing to open a K-5 school building and a new gymnasium, on an empty lot to the south that the school has already acquired. The goal is to break ground in December and be open by summer 2019.

For more information about Empower College Prep, visit <http://www.empowercollegeprep.org>.

**Earn a scholarship via service, fundraising**

Nominations are now open for the 2019 Greater Phoenix Students of the Year program, The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society’s (LLS) annual service leadership and scholarship initiative for Valley high school students. The program offers students the opportunity to participate in a seven-week campaign to raise funds to help beat cancer while learning about the spirit of philanthropy and community involvement from established community leaders.

Candidates must be students enrolled in an Arizona public or private high school, grades 9-12. Candidates are nominated, typically by a parent, family friend, teacher or their principal or guidance counselor, however, they can also self-nominate. The deadline to apply is Nov. 30.



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**SCHOOL DAYS**



Members of the girls badminton team at Sunnyslope High School created special felt blankets for grieving families at the New Song Center (submitted photo).

The fourth-annual competition kicks off Jan. 11, 2019 and culminates in a Grand Finale celebration on March 2 at the Phoenix Zoo. The student(s) who raises the most funds within those seven weeks earn the title of Student of the Year and a \$2,500 scholarship to the college/university of their choice. The campaign also provides recognition in local media, as well as letters of recommendation for the students.

For additional information or to nominate or apply, visit: <http://www.studentsoftheyear.org/students-year-phoenix>.

## School Briefs

### GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT Blankets made for grieving children

Members of the girls badminton team at Sunnyslope High School joined together for a volunteer opportunity

with nonprofit organization, New Song Center. The organization assists grieving children who have suffered the loss of a close family member. Sunnyslope Badminton helped the cause by sewing and creating special felt blankets that would be delivered to the children.

To learn more about Sunnyslope volunteer efforts, visit the Sunnyslope website at <http://sunnyslope.guhsdaz.org>.

### McClure wins school supplies

Sunnyslope High wood shop teacher William McClure recently won a Teacher of the Month recognition and \$250 worth of school supplies from Phoenix attorney, Mark Breyer.

McClure's students nominated him in Breyer's monthly Teacher Appreciation Contest. He was surprised when Mark Breyer himself showed up to his classroom and rewarded him with a \$250 check, an appreciation plaque and a pizza party for him and his students.

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**MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Take a tour of all Madison schools**

The Madison Elementary School District will host its annual Discover Madison tour Thursday, Dec. 6. The tour will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Madison District Office, 5601 N. 16th St.

Attendees will board a yellow school bus and visit each of Madison’s elementary schools, with principals serving as tour guides. Each stop will focus on individual schools and offer insight about their signature programs. Open enrollment begins Dec. 1.

The tour includes a luncheon at the District Office and will conclude by noon. The event is open to the public; space is limited. To RSVP, visit <https://madison-az.org/discover-madison-tour/>.

**OSBORN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Longview principal lauded for leadership**

Longview Principal Benjamin Smith has been selected as the 2018

Outstanding Administrator by the Arizona Art Education Association. His support of staff and focus on the arts help bring the school’s core focus and vision to life and are valued by students and teachers alike.

The arts are integrated into the life and spirit of all things Longview, and Smith’s leadership allows this whole-child and whole-adult learning to occur. Smith will be honored at a conference in early November.

**Encanto creates Thinking Maps**

Osborn District teachers began professional development studying Thinking Maps as a means to provide students with a way to graphically represent their thinking. They promote concept development, reflective thinking, and assist with clarity in communication.

Encanto School third graders in Maria Garcia’s class worked on a life-sized tree map when studying the text “Winning the Right to Vote.” The purpose of the tree map is to classify or sort ideas into categories. After reading the text, students identified the main



Encanto School third graders worked on a life-sized tree map when studying the right to vote, using the “tree” to classify or sort ideas into categories (submitted photo).

idea and key details. They created the tree map by organizing key details. For this text, the key idea (at the top of the tree map) was the idea that many people fought long and hard for the right to vote. Details were gathered under the following categories: African

Americans, Women, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Mexican Americans, and Young People.

Students then physically arranged the ideas and their next step in learning will be to move from the concrete (physical placement of ideas) to the abstract (organizing ideas into writing).

**PHOENIX UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT Hackathon set for Nov. at Camelback**

Camelback High School is gearing up for an overnight Innovation Hackathon, Nov. 17-18. The Hackathon includes entrepreneurship, engineering and Montessori science students from Camelback as well as fifth-eighth graders from four partner elementary schools: Madison No. 1, Pat Tillman, William T. Machan and Wilson Elementary.

The students and teachers choose to focus the hack on four of the goals from the Global Goals Initiative campaign—Fresh Water, Education, Food/Agriculture and Recycle & Reuse.

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Several community partners, colleges and entrepreneurs will help kick off the event and the first “hack” of the evening will be two “farm to table” chefs who will be working with Camelback’s advanced culinary students to prepare the evening meal.

The teams of inventors (students) will come to the Hack with a problem to solve and the idea for their prototype. They will have Friday evening through Saturday morning to build their prototype (in the school’s maker space) and create their pitch board. They will pitch their idea to a panel of judges to compete for awards in various categories, Saturday morning.

The Camelback Entrepreneurship/DECA students came up with this event. They secured the sponsors, met with the teachers, and designed the agenda.

**Bioscience gets visit from radio station**

Bioscience High School won the KISS FM Radio Campus Invasion featuring radio personality Bryce Vine. Bioscience competed against 30 other

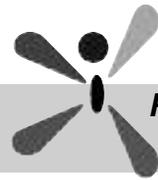
Valley schools and won “through relentless voting on behalf of the students.”

The radio station visited the campus on Sept.14, and took over lunchtime with performances and giveaways. School Student Government President Miguel Camacho Calderon learned of the contest and, along with the rest of Student Government (STUGO), “it took off like wild fire. Each day, our student body visited the KISS FM website to vote,” STUGO sponsor Brooke Shapiro-Heisel said.

**Police, fire students attend conference**

Franklin Police and Fire High School students attended the ABLE (Arizona Black Law Enforcement Employees) 2018 Criminal Justice Conference held at Mesa Community College, Sept. 12-14.

Students participated in the three-day event and had classes such as Effective Communication Techniques, Understanding Mental Health, The Community and the Criminal Justice System, Stop the Bleed, and Using Your Skills after Policing.



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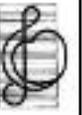
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**Councilwoman helps students register to vote**

Phoenix Dist. 4 Councilwoman Laura Pastor was very excited to spend National Voter Registration Day at North High School, helping some first-time voters register on Sept. 25. One Arizona partner with Phoenix Union High School District to help get youth registered at all 18 high schools. “It is so important to vote and let your voice be heard,” Pastor told students at North High. “It only takes two minutes to change the world.”

**Sanders receives Esperanza Award**

Chicanos Por La Causa (CPLC) last month honored its 2018 Esperanza Latino Teacher Awards recipients, and among them was Genevieve Sanders of Metro Tech High School. Each honoree received a \$5,000 cash award and a stipend of \$2,500 to their respective schools.

Sanders teaches Honors Spanish 3-4 and Advanced Placement Spanish, and is the school’s World Language Department instructional leader. She



Phoenix Dist. 4 Councilwoman Laura Pastor, standing, third from left, joined with students at North High School for a campus-wide initiative to get 18-year-old students registered to vote for the upcoming election (photo courtesy of Phoenix Council District 4).

has been at Metro Tech since 2014, and taught four years at Cesar Chavez High School. Her teaching career spans 25 years, including seven years in Mexico. Raised in Mexico in “extreme poverty” during her formative years, she didn’t go to school in second, third or fourth grades, but sold chiclets and candy in the streets to help the family. She was a

high school dropout, a teenage mom. But with her children as her motivating force, and “esperanza,” or hope, she made it to the United States in 2000. Now her classmates and colleagues call her La Doctora.

The Esperanza Awards continues to be the only awards program in Arizona that specifically recognizes Latino teachers who are nominated by their peers. For the past 20 years, CPLC has recognized more than 100 outstanding Latino educators who continue to inspire future generations and positively impact communities in Arizona.

“This recognition means a lot to me because it reminds me of my humble origins and the many struggles and hardships my children and I have overcome as first generation Mexican immigrants,” Sanders said. “I feel that my story inspires my students to stay focused on their education no matter what obstacles they face.”

**PUHSD hosts expo for middle schoolers**

The fifth-annual Phoenix Union Experience High School Expo is Saturday, Nov. 3 at Phoenix College, 1202 W. Thomas Road. It is an opportunity for middle school/junior high students to explore the many schools and programs available at Phoenix Union High School District and meet students and staff.

It is also the first official day to register for one of the Phoenix Union schools. There is student entertainment, giveaways, food and fun, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is free to attend and no RSVP is needed.



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It is the Madison School District’s responsibility to inform the general public and all parents within our boundaries of our responsibility to make available special education services for students with disabilities aged 3 through 15 years and how to access those services. In addition we have a responsibility to provide information regarding early intervention services for children birth through 2 years.

We are responsible for identifying, locating, and evaluating all children with disabilities including children aged 3 through 15 and for referring children from birth through 2 years of age to Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP) for evaluation and appropriate services.

We are also responsible for providing a free and appropriate public education (FAPE), which includes special education and related services to children with disabilities at public expense, under public supervision and direction without charge to the parents.

For all new students to the district, the classroom teacher will complete screening activities within 45 days of enrollment. The teacher will look at the child’s ability in the areas of academics, vision, hearing, communication, social/emotional, and motor skills. If any concerns are noted, the child may be referred for additional help.

Children birth through 2 years of age who are receiving early intervention services and will be participating in preschool programs for children with disabilities will be assured of a smooth transition into that program.

If you have any concerns about a child you know, please contact Madison School District’s Special Education Department at (602) 664-7927 or the school in which those boundaries you reside.

**SCHOOL DAYS**

**New club at Central for LGBTQ youth**

Central LGBTQ youth advocates created the school's first Genders and Sexualities (GSA) club in 10 years, as well as a campus and community supports network, Rainbow Spectrum. Student Prevention and Intervention Specialist Aedan Hanley is sponsoring the student club.

**WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**New program to help kids with behaviors**

Childhood can be a difficult period, full of adjustments and challenges—and can shape the behavioral health for a person's entire life.

By bringing treatment directly into schools, PSA Behavioral Health Agency's new partnership with Washington Elementary School District makes critical BH services more accessible to North Central Phoenix children.

Students at three WESD schools—Orangewood, R.E. Miller and Royal Palm—will have access to individual counseling services, psychiatric evaluations, and medications provided by PSA's nearby Youth Intake and Service Center.

By providing these services inside the school students will have access to on-site care in real time by licensed professionals.

Through the partnership students learn to better manage stress and anxiety by learning coping and resiliency skills. Students will also learn to develop healthy boundaries to help them better focus in school.

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**Many countries represented at Phoenix Christian Prep**

Phoenix Christian Preparatory School has welcomed students from all over the world through its international program for almost 20 years. These students enrich the campus and teach students and staff about the uniqueness of their own cultures, while also showing how much they have in common with U.S.-born students.

The school currently hosts international and exchange students from China, Japan, Taiwan, Thailand, South Korea, Ethiopia, Brazil, Sweden, Spain, and Mexico.



Some of the international and exchange students at Phoenix Christian Preparatory School recently gathered together in the school's Quad (submitted photo).

International students have the opportunity to build relationships with other Phoenix Christian students through participation in extracurricular activities such as athletics, symphonic band, robotics, and more. The school also offers an ESL (English as a Second Language) to every international student to help them become more confident in their mastery of the

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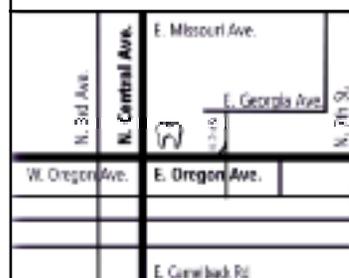
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**MHP seniors set to tour Japan**

About 25 Madison High Prep seniors will explore Japan March 16-24, 2019 through a partnership with EF Educational Tours. MHP students will be guided through Tokyo, Hakone, Odawara, and Kyoto by a full-time tour director.

Highlights of the spring break excursion include guided tours by local experts of a technology showroom, Buddhist temple, Shinto shrine, and sumo wrestling venue in Tokyo. Students also will enjoy a cruise on Lake Ashi and a cable car ride to Mount Komagatake in Hakone, as well as a castle tour in Odawara, and a bullet train ride to Kyoto, followed by a guided tour of the city.

EF Educational Tours has partnered with educators for over 50 years to transform the way more than one million students look at the world. As an accredited institution, EF Educational Tours provides global education programs that blend classroom, digital and experiential learning for students. EF Tours emphasizes experiential learning



Brophy College Preparatory seniors from North Central Phoenix will take part in the 2018 Brophy Fashion Show, November 9. They are, from left: Peter Chong, Will Winter, Van Scott, and Diego Morris (submitted photo).

to help students gain new perspectives and build skills for the future.

**Fashion Show spotlights Brophy Prep seniors**

The Brophy College Preparatory Mothers' Guild and Neiman Marcus will host the annual Brophy Fashion Show on Friday, Nov. 9, with proceeds exclusively benefiting the Brophy Financial Aid Fund.

This year's event will take place at the JW Marriott Camelback Inn, and

feature the fashions of select local retailers.

While the fun and lively event is an annual crowd pleaser, the Brophy Fashion Show's fundraising purpose is to dramatically change the lives of deserving young men thorough contributions to the Brophy College Preparatory Financial Aid Fund.

The event starts at 10:30 a.m. and includes a social hour, lunch, shopping, raffles, and spectacular fashions showcased by professional models and

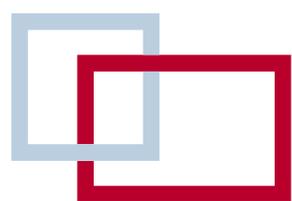
Brophy seniors. To purchase tables, individual tickets, centerpieces, commemorative shirts or raffle tickets, go to [www.brophyprep.org/fashionshow](http://www.brophyprep.org/fashionshow).

**Bomb dogs search kids' backpacks**

Phoenix Police and Homeland Security introduced Midtown Primary's students to two "bomb dogs" during a special visit to the campus last month. The trainers and handlers told the kids about the skills the dogs have, how they are trained, and how they are put to work to keep us safe.

The handlers put the dogs through their paces to demonstrate to the students how they can smell out an unsafe object in a backpack or on a person. The dogs successfully found the planted backpack hidden around the assembly hall, among the students' backpacks. The dogs are rewarded with play. The dogs then hung around to give the students a chance to meet them.

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**Swim instructor named 'Educator of the Year'**

Ed McHale, a longtime swim instructor with Hubbard Family Swim Schools, recently received the 2018 "Educator of the Year" award from the United States Swim School Association (USSSA). This honor is only given out to one swim instructor annually from among the 400-plus member swim schools from across the United States, and the more than 20 countries that belong to the USSSA.

"Ed has a true passion and calling for teaching children how to swim and be safe around water," says Kathy Hubbard, who owns Hubbard Family Swim Schools with her husband, Bob. "The care he puts into each child and their family and into building lasting relationships with them is inspiring to everyone around him. Since joining our swim school in 2000, Ed has become a lead instructor, innovator, inspirational educator and mentor to our staff."



Ed McHale, a swim instructor with Hubbard Family Swim Schools, was named 2018 "Educator of the Year" by the United States Swim School Association (submitted photo).

As a teacher, McHale is equally skilled at working with parents and their babies, beginner swimmers, upper level swimmers, and children with special needs. Due to his creativity, commitment and dedication to teaching, amazing things happen with his students when he works with them in the water.

"Ed is particularly magical with

special needs children," Hubbard pointed out. "He stays late after several of his shifts to teach the students who need a little extra time and individual instruction. He is never discouraged and works hard to give the gift of independence in the water to every child who learns from him."

Now celebrating its 20th year in

business, a Hubbard Family Swim School is located at 13832 N. 32nd St. and offers lessons to babies and children, ages 2 months up to 12 years of age. Free "baby splash" swim classes are available every day of the week for babies 8 weeks to 5 months of age. The temperature of the heated, indoor swimming pool is 90 degrees all year long. Advanced registration is required. There is a \$25 joining fee. For specific class times, call 602-971-4044 or visit [www.hubbardswim.com](http://www.hubbardswim.com).

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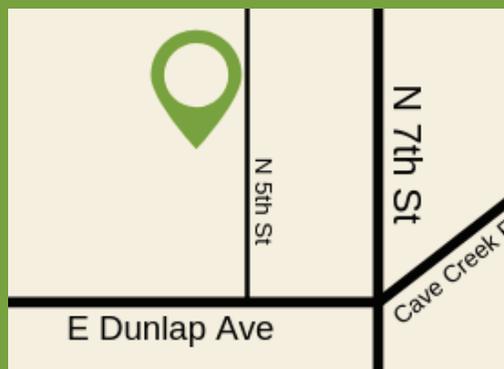
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You can learn about and enroll in a plan either by contacting the various carriers directly or you can utilize the service of an independent broker. The advantage of an independent broker is that they work for you and can offer you more than just one option when it comes to your Medicare insurance needs. Their services are free to clients as they receive a commission directly from the carrier whose plans they sell.

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Led by company members from Southwest Shakespeare who both "speak the speech" onstage and off, Shakespeare's words will come to life through textual discussion, historical trivia, group play using the original practices, and more.

Topics will rotate every four classes, as will the Southwest Shakespeare Company

members leading the classes. Note there will be no class on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1.

There is no cost and no RSVP necessary; drop-ins welcome. For more information, call 602-943-2198.

### The inside scoop on Handel's 'Messiah'

Internationally known musician and current director of Music at All Saints' Episcopal Church, Joseph Ripka, will present a history and an outline of Handel's "Messiah," 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 at the church, 6300 N. Central Ave.

Ripka will be the guest speaker at the SAGES on Central Seniors Group's monthly luncheon. He will offer some interesting tidbits about the composer, George Frederick Handel, and discuss his masterwork, first performed in 1742.

Lunch is served at noon. Members of the public are invited to dine with the group (a \$5 voluntary donation is requested), or just attend Ripka's presentation at no charge.

For more information, contact the church office at 602-279-5539 during normal business hours.

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Before starting your trip, make a stop by Phoenix Fire Station 61, located at 1925 E. Indian School Road, to make sure all child car seats are properly installed. The child seat inspection service is available Thursdays from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

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**Free Family Sundays continue at art museum**

Phoenix Art Museum continues its free general admission for all guests on the second Sunday of each month, courtesy of a grant from Discount Tire. The museum will be open with free admission from 12-5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 11.

This month's theme is "Volume." There will be special dance piece created for this event, as well as a DJ on site to "pump up the volume." There will be two hands-on art making areas, one focused on ceramics and form inspired by two pieces in the Museum's Asian collection. Local fashion design Leonor Aispuro will offer a hands-on art making

experience inspired by the upcoming "ultracontemporary" fashion exhibition.

The new Children's Gallery will make its debut this month.

Access to special-engagement ticketed exhibitions will be offered at just \$5 per visitor. For more information, visit <http://www.phxart.org/events/family>.

**Fun place for kids to hang on holidays**

The Arizona Sunrays Gymnastics and Dance Center, 15801 N. 32nd St., will offer its exciting "Supercamp" for ages 3 to 13 on Monday, Nov. 12 (official Veterans Day holiday), and on Wednesday, Nov. 21—the day before Thanksgiving.

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Supercamp is offered half day (8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) and full day (8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.) There's also extended care options for \$5 per half-hour from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. Cost is \$57 for the half day and \$78 for the full day. For more information, call 602-992-5790 or visit [www.arizona-sunrays.com](http://www.arizona-sunrays.com).

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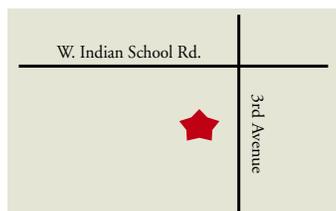
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**A & E Briefs**

**Yua: Henri Matisse and the Inner Arctic Spirit'**

Oct. 29, 2018-Feb. 3, 2019  
 Heard Museum  
 2301 N. Central Ave.  
 602-252-8840

See this groundbreaking exhibition exploring the surprising artistic and spiritual connection between the great 20th-century French modern master Henri Matisse and the Indigenous people of the Arctic. In addition to original works by Matisse, the exhibition also will feature Yup'ik masks, cultural objects, archival photographs, film and ephemera totaling more than 150 pieces. For tickets visit <https://matisse.heard.org>.

**'The Watercolors of Alex Pekala'**  
 Through Nov. 14  
 Church of the Beatitudes  
 555 W. Glendale Ave.

Featuring the artwork of local watercolorist Alex Pekala. Admission is free, and the exhibit can be found in the narthex (lobby) of the sanctuary. It is viewable Sunday mornings, and by appointment on other days. Hosted by the Beatitudes Art Council. For more information or to arrange a viewing, contact Marcia Nix at 602-274-8992.

**'Fun Home'**  
 Through Dec. 2  
 Phoenix Theatre  
 100 E. McDowell Road  
 602-254-2151

Middle-aged cartoonist Alison is joined by two younger versions of her-

self from pivotal times in her life. They lead us through her dysfunctional childhood, her coming-out, and her father's death, shortly after his own coming-out. Fun Home is a charmingly honest musical experience. Tickets are \$56-\$91 (fees included). Visit [www.phoenixtheatre.com](http://www.phoenixtheatre.com).

**'Single Black Female'**  
 Black Theatre Troupe  
 Through Nov. 11  
 Helen K. Mason  
 Performing Arts Center  
 1333 E. Washington St.  
 602-258-8129

A show of comic vignettes that explore the lives of two African-American middle-class women. As a well-respected English literature professor and as a powerful corporate attorney, they keep each other balanced as they face their fears of rejection and their hopes for romance-which may be found closer than they ever imagined. Tickets are \$38 plus fees. Visit [www.blacktheatretroupe.org](http://www.blacktheatretroupe.org).

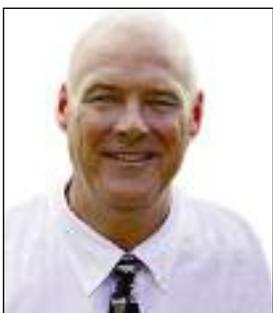
**'Something Wicked This Way Comes'**  
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 Oct. 31-Nov. 11  
 Phoenix Theatre  
 100 E. McDowell Road  
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Two boys, Will and Jim, are lured into a mysterious carnival that passes through their town and discover the diabolical and terrifying truths behind the funhouse mirror maze and the eerie cast of characters. With the help of

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Will's father, they fight to save their town from the sinister carnival and its leader, Mr. Dark, who threaten to destroy it. Tickets are \$34-\$47. Visit <http://blkboxphx.com>.

**Urban Nocturnes Fall Concert**

7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7  
Trinity Cathedral  
100 W. Roosevelt St.  
602-254-7126

The cathedral's artist-in-residence ensemble, Urban Nocturnes, performs its fall concert featuring violinist Karen Sinclair, violist Christopher McKay, and pianist Olga Gorelik performing Louis Spohr's "Duet for Violin and Viola," Bohuslav Martin's "Sonata for Viola and Piano," and Ludwig van Beethoven's "Sonata for Violin and Piano No. 9 Kreutzer." Tickets are \$15 general admission. Parking is available in the garage just north of the cathedral (off Central Avenue) and on the surrounding streets. For tickets, visit [www.trinitymusicaz.org](http://www.trinitymusicaz.org).

**'Charlie Parker's Yardbird'**

Arizona Opera  
7 p.m. Nov. 9-11  
Herberger Theater, Center Stage  
222 E. Monroe  
602-256-6995

Told through a series of interconnected scenes following his death, the great American saxophonist attempts to compose his final masterpiece while examining the demons that propelled his genius. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$25-\$125 plus fees. Visit <https://www.azopera.org/single-tickets-sale>.

**'Erma Bombeck: At Wit's End'**

Arizona Theatre Company  
Nov. 15-Dec. 2  
Herberger Theater, Center Stage  
222 E. Monroe  
602-256-6995

A tribute to the longtime Arizona resident who made herself into a national superstar as a bestselling author and syndicated journalist lauded for opening up the secret world of the

mother and housewife. From her troubled childhood, where she found comfort in the words of Dorothy Parker and Robert Benchley, through her rise to fame as a journalist and public figure, discover the story behind America's beloved humorist who championed women's lives with wit that sprang from the most unexpected place of all—the truth. Tickets are \$41 to \$75 plus fees. Visit <https://arizonatheatre.org>.

**'Black Nativity'**

Black Theatre Troupe  
Nov. 30-Dec. 16  
Helen K. Mason  
Performing Arts Center  
1333 E. Washington St.  
602-258-8129

This annual holiday event by Harlem Renaissance poet Langston Hughes returns to the BTT stage. "Black Nativity" features a joyous company of singers, actors, dancers and musicians delivering a powerful message of joy, hope, victory and liberation that warms the heart at a very special time of the year. Tickets are \$38 plus fees. Visit [www.blacktheatretroupe.org](http://www.blacktheatretroupe.org).

**Merry & Bright Concert**

Desert Overture  
3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2  
Orangewood Presbyterian Church  
7321 N. 10th St.

Desert Overture, with its more than 50 musicians, was formed in 2010 and remains a hidden cultural gem in the Valley of the Sun. The concert band is an active member of the Lesbian Gay Band Association (LGBA), which has grown to 37 members across the country, including international bands. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students, and free for children 12 and younger. Visit [www.desertoverture.org](http://www.desertoverture.org).

**Handel's 'Messiah'**

3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2  
All Saints' Episcopal Church  
6300 N. Central Ave.  
602-279-5539

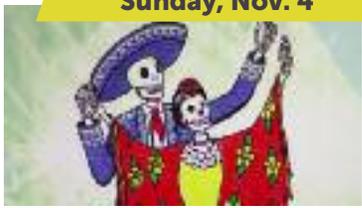
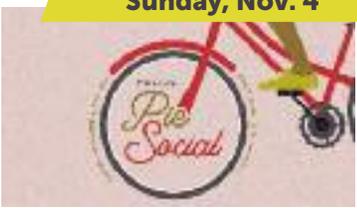
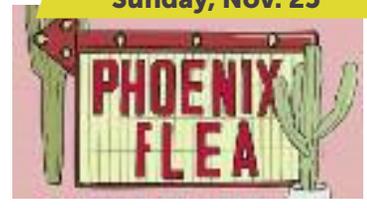
The choirs of All Saints' will perform Handel's masterwork. Admission is free although a \$20 voluntary donation will be accepted in support of the music program and its work to bring musical skills to youth in the community.



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## FOOD FOR THOUGHT



Never one to rest on his laurels, Christopher Collins and his Common Ground Culinary restaurant group have changed up two North Central restaurants with new names and new menu items (photo by Teri Carnicelli).

## Café Chat

### Collins brings new focus to two revamped concepts

By Marjorie Rice

Christopher Collins had a good thing going—successful restaurants in Scottsdale with offshoots in the Biltmore/Town & Country areas. His Common Ground Culinary restaurant group drew consistent praise for its Grassroots Kitchen & Tap, Twisted Grove Parlor + Bar, Sweet Provisions and Wally's American Gastropub.

Despite their success, Collins wasn't satisfied. All the locations were profitable, but he felt two needed tweaking. And so the Twisted Grove at 32nd Street and Camelback has transformed into The Collins Small Batch Kitchen, and the Grassroots in Town & Country has become The Macintosh.

Customer tastes drove the transitions, Collins explains. "We changed the product mix for The Macintosh because we could see what people were buying. A lot more whiskey cocktails, for example. We sold a lot more beer, where in Scottsdale we sold a lot more wine."

The menu changed as well.

"In the Scottsdale Grassroots, customers wanted more filets and baby back and short ribs," Collins says. "At The Macintosh, there are a lot more sandwiches and salads. And we have a lot of eight- and 10-person groups coming out for a birthday or other occasion, versus more intimate date settings at Grassroots."

While the menu has changed at The Macintosh, some Grassroots favorites remain—notably the Southern Shrimp and Grits, with blackened shrimp, jalapeno-cheddar grits, Tasso ham relish served with grilled focaccia (\$18).

The grits reflect Collins's Southern influences as a young chef. "I had an opportunity to go to New Orleans right after Hurricane Katrina," he recalls. "It was one of the best, most eye-opening experiences I've ever had. Gas stations were only open a few hours a day, no grocery stores. We were the second restaurant in the entire city proper to open after the hurricane.

"Spending time in New Orleans after the storm showed me how people are proud of where they come from, and who they are, and how much food says about that," Collins says. "It stuck with me and it's literally how I'm living my life today. I live my life through food, as many people in New Orleans do. They relate to each other through food."

At both re-brands, about a third of the menu items stayed the same, a third of the items are slight variations on the originals, and the other third are brand, spanking new—"very exciting, beautifully plated casual food," Collins says.

New dishes at The Macintosh include the Bacon Steak appetizer (\$18 for a shareable plate), Bacon Steak Mac and Cheese (\$9) Braised Short Ribs (\$24), and a Frenched Pork Chop (\$24).

Décor changed as well, with a re-designed kitchen, new paint scheme,

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black leather booths and a 21-foot community table (there's a smaller version at The Collins).

Similar changes can be found at the Collins. "There are a lot of offerings in this Camelback Corridor area, and competition is tough," Collins points out. "We had to take a good look at ourselves and say, what do we want to be, and what do we want to serve relative to what other people are offering. We think that we've put together a timeless, classically beautiful restaurant."

The restaurant is bright, open and airy, with high ceilings and a ton of windows which open fully, including folding patio doors that create an indoor-outdoor space topped with sunny yellow awnings. It's a comfortable environment, with comfortable prices that won't break your wallet.

"With the Collins we are making a clear statement that we're going to offer the best product in this Camelback Corridor at the lowest price," Collins says. As a result, no entrée at the Collins costs more than \$24, and there

are plenty of lower-cost choices.

New dishes at The Collins include hand-tossed pizza (gluten-free available) in a pecan firewood oven. "We've never done pizzas before," Collins says. "We've had great, positive feedback about our pizzas, and also our peel and eat shrimp."

The Collins offers a small-batch menu that will change often—sometimes it might be available just for one day. "This allows us to find products that may be extremely seasonal, or too costly to have on the menu full-time," Collins explains. "We can bring it in, learn about it, try it ourselves, engage our customers and let them try it, and it allows us to continue learning about food."

The new concepts have resulted in a great combination: good food served by pleasant, attentive but not hovering servers in a welcoming setting, and it's resulted in a steady stream of regulars. "This focus on the people who come into our restaurants, and our intimate relationships with them, is the reason we are a successful company," Collins says.

Getting to know and being part of the community is important to Collins.

"I grew up just down the street from The Macintosh. We're involved in the community, we're involved in the charities and we're involved with the schools. It's important to us that we are improving ourselves and giving something to the neighborhood that they are proud of."

The Collins Small Batch Kitchen is located at 3160 E. Camelback Road; call 602-730-3533 or visit <http://thecollinsaz.com>. The Macintosh is located at the Town & Country Shopping Center, at 2119 E. Camelback Road; call 602-368-8766 or visit <http://themacintoshaz.com>.

## Dining Briefs

### Four 'food fests' set for November

What is better than basking in the cool outdoor weather of fall while enjoying some of your favorite food, live local music, hands-on fun activities and maybe an adult beverage or two—all while helping out worthwhile organizations.

This month Phoenix welcomes four food-related festivals to its city parks, and each has something to suit any taste bud.

The Southwest VegFest will take place 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4 at Steele Indian School Park, 300 E. Indian School Road. Enjoy delicious vegan food from local restaurants, expert speakers, a kids activity area, fitness zone, and lively entertainment to create a fun and welcoming environment. Admission is free. All profits from SW VegFest 2018 will go to Mercy for Animals. Visit <https://www.swvegfest.com>.

Save room for dessert, as the 9th Annual Roosevelt Row Pie Social takes place from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4 on the west lawn of Hance Park, 1242 N. Central Ave. The tasty event is all about pie sharing, featuring the culinary masterpieces of celebrity chefs and community members alike paired with live music, a community "pie" art installation from Bioscience High School students, storytelling from Shoo Flies, a bake sale from Arizona School for the Arts, and more. Admission is free, and pie "tasting" tickets are 5 for \$15. Visit <https://www.rooseveltrow.org/2018-pie-social>.

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11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 on the east side of Hance Park, 1202 N. 3rd St. This event brings together great pizza makers and local businesses for a day of cheesy awesomeness, along with live local bands, lawn games, local craft breweries, wine, dessert vendors, and a kid's craft zone. Admission is \$10 in advance, \$12 at the gate, and food and beverages will need to be purchased separately from admission charge. Visit <http://phoenix.pizza/index.html>.

The food frenzy ends on a sweet note as the Downtown Donut Festival comes to the east side of Hance Park from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 18. Devour delicious donuts from over 20 of the best local donut shops while enjoying craft beer, wine, mimosas, coffee, music, a kids zone and more. General admission is \$8, advance purchase required. Visit [www.downtown-donutfest.com](http://www.downtown-donutfest.com).

**Pita Jungle teas, sriracha now available via retail**

Take the Mediterranean flavors of Pita Jungle home with you, or give them to someone else to spice up their holidays. The local restaurant group has launched retail products of its signature sriracha sauces and its popular teas.

Pita Jungle sells three sriracha flavors: red, green and ghost. Each bottle of sriracha retails for \$5.99. The restaurant chain also is selling three tea flavors: Tropical Black, Berry Hibiscus and Paradise Green. Each bag of tea sells for \$8.99.

The sriracha and teas are available for purchase at all 20 locations, including the Cinema Park Shopping Center at the northeast corner of 7th Street and Missouri Avenue. To find additional locations, visit [www.pitajungle.com](http://www.pitajungle.com).

**Match offers deals to assist Circle the City**

The FOUND:RE hotel and its resident eatery, Match Restaurant & Lounge, host an art exhibit this month created by Circle the City patients, with special deals at Match to benefit Circle the City in its mission to address the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness and help them recover their lives.

More than 50 works of art will be unveiled for the Inspired Soles Exhibit & Sale at The Studio at FOUND:RE this month, in conjunction with National Homelessness Awareness Month. The Inspired Soles Exhibit &

Sale kicks off with an artist reception on First Friday, 6-8 p.m. Nov. 2, at 1100 N. Central Ave. The exhibit will remain throughout the month, and all artwork will be available for purchase.

In addition, bring a pair of new or slightly used shoes to be donated to Circle the City and receive 15 percent off your total bill at Match throughout the month. Also, proceeds from all "Compassion Cocktails" sold at Match in November will be donated to Circle the City.

For more information about Match Restaurant & Lounge, visit <https://matchphx.com>.

**Scooter's Coffee opens at 7th Ave. and Indian School**

Scooter's Coffee has added its third location in the Phoenix area with the company's latest opening at 4030 N. 7th Ave., just south of Indian School Road. To celebrate, the location will be hosting a Grand Opening on Friday, Nov. 30.

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pastries, breakfast burritos, breakfast sandwiches and more. The location also accepts payment by the Scooter's Coffee mobile app. The app allows customers to quickly pay for purchases by scanning a barcode linked to a registered Scooter's Coffee gift card. The app also includes a loyalty program and other features, including special offers.

The new location, which had a soft opening in late October, is owned by Ashley Gass in partnership with other members of her family. The Grand Opening celebration on Nov. 30 will include giveaways and special menu pricing. Gass and her partners intend to open more than a half-dozen more Scooter's Coffee shops in the Valley in

the coming year. For more information, visit <https://scooterscoffee.com>.

**Pumpkin flavors now at Creamistry**

Creamistry has introduced its new pumpkin spice flavor. Through Sunday, Nov. 25, guests can enjoy this popular fall flavor in any of Creamistry's ice cream bases including signature premium, organic, vegan coconut, and vegan cashew.

The pumpkin flavor can be enjoyed in a variety of delicious treats including ice cream and ice cream sandwiches, NitroShakes and custom creations.

Creamistry Uptown Plaza is located at 100 E. Camelback Road, #150. For more information, call 602-368-8147 or visit [www.creamistry.com](http://www.creamistry.com).

**Seasonal items available at Sauce**

Fall has arrived, and with it comes cooler weather and the launch of Sauce Pizza and Wine's new seasonal items. Now available for a limited time, the new menu at Sauce incorporates seasonal vegetables into hearty fan-favorites.

Guests can enjoy items like the Winter Roasted Vegetable Pizza (\$10.50), made with a white sauce base and topped with seasonal vegetables like oven roasted cauliflower, butternut squash, Brussels sprouts, sautéed spinach and dried cranberries; the roasted portobello and artichoke bruschetta (\$6), topped with goat cheese and roasted bell peppers; and

the winter roasted vegetable and cheese sauce pasta (\$10), a twist on Sauce's popular mac n' cheese with oven-roasted cauliflower, butternut squash, Brussels sprouts, sautéed spinach and dried cranberries.

For dessert, crunch down on the pumpkin and candied pecan cannoli (\$2.50), filled with house-made pumpkin ricotta.

Sauce is located 7th Street and Glendale Avenue, and at 1st Street and Camelback Road. For more information, visit [www.saucepizzaandwine.com](http://www.saucepizzaandwine.com).

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