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Windshields can be replaced at the GHS auto shop, residential home or business for your added convenience. "It is a pleasure working with and supporting the GHS auto class," said Keith McDaniel, of Veteran Auto Glass. "I think it is important for the students to be exposed to as many productive trades as possible." Veteran Auto Glass has been

servicing the community for over a decade, replacing cracked or broken auto windshields, and has earned five-star reviews.

For each referral through the GHS auto class, Veteran Auto Glass will donate a percentage of the proceeds to the accelerating mechanical-based program.

After an extended shutdown period from last spring, while observing the Covid guidelines, GHS Principal Robert Armenta authorized the Auto Team to roll up the doors for the second trimester. Students were

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Area Agency on Aging warns of potential Covid-19 scams

The Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens, Area Agency on Aging for Pinal and Gila County is warning older populations that they may be targets for Covid-19-related scams.

The Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) recommends the following for Medicare beneficiaries:

– Contact your own doctor if you are experiencing potential symptoms of Covid-19.

– Do not give out your Medicare number, Social Security number or personal information in response to unsolicited calls, texts, emails, home visits or booths at health fairs and other public venues. If your personal information is compromised, it may be used in other fraud schemes as well.

– Be suspicious of anyone going door-to-door to offer free coronavirus or Covid-19 testing, supplies, treatments or vaccines.

– Be aware of providers offering other products, treatments or medicines to prevent the virus. Check with your health care provider before paying for or receiving any Covid-19-related treatment.

– Carefully review your Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or Explanation of Benefits (EOB), looking for errors or claims for products or services that weren't received.

– Follow the instructions of state or local government for other actions you should be taking in response to Covid-19. Contact the Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens SMP for help. SMP staff empower and assist Medicare beneficiaries, their families and caregivers to prevent, detect and report health care fraud, errors and abuse.

Contact the Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens at 520-836-2758 or Arizona's SHIP & SMP Helpline at 800-432-4040.

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Globe Public Library has a patron survey. We want to learn what we can do better to serve our community. Your constructive feedback is welcome. The surveys can be picked up at the Globe Public Library, the Gila County Historical Museum and Bullock Plaza Museum, or completed online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdYVI8KK_-jpbTGzn0-pHVus5B43rDJn1ULIKgxF_-gbLOOSg/viewform?usp=sf_link. Thank you for helping us make Globe Public Library a better place for everyone.

Basic Pistol Training class

The Gila County Women's Gun Club (GCWGC), in conjunction with the

Globe/Miami Gun Club, will be sponsoring a Basics of Pistol Shooting class Saturday, March 20. If you are a new gun owner or would just like to refresh some of the techniques you already know, this is the class for you. This is an eight-hour class and class size is limited, so make your reservations early. Prior registration is required; there will be a \$100 fee. Class will begin promptly at 8 a.m. and run until approximate-

ly 1 p.m. We will break for lunch and meet again at the Globe/Miami Gun Range for the shooting portion of the class. No firearms are allowed in the classroom; however, bring your handgun and ammo to the range. To register, please call Candy Sullivan at 928-701-1558 or MaryAnn Moreno at 928-425-7242. If there is no answer, leave your name and phone number either in a text or voicemail, and we will get back to you.

Location of the meeting will be disclosed when you register.

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Pet of the week



Pepper - female

This is Pepper, she was born on 1/20/20. She's a DSH and sports a Tuxedo w/white bib. She's a very pretty young lady. Pepper would love to meet you to see if she would be a good fit for your home.

For more info about her, contact Cheryl at the Cat Rescue 928-812-4097

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Hiking classes begin Feb. 20 at Gila Pueblo Campus



Courtesy photo

Brenda Blaine

Globe - If you'd like to pick up some of the basics of hiking or hit a more advanced trail, the Gila Pueblo Campus of Eastern Arizona College has you covered, with classes starting again on Saturday, Feb. 20.

The college is also welcoming a new instructor, Brenda Blaine, to lead the classes. Blaine has taken part in the hiking classes since 2013, but said her experience goes back further than that. "I've been hiking

most of my life. My parents owned a cabin in the Pinal Mountains, and we did a lot of hiking. I'm really excited about teaching the class. I've been hiking on weekends, trying to find some new trails. I'm not quite sure what my first hike is going to be, but I'll be reaching out to people to let them know."

The college offers two hiking classes, beginning and advanced, which alternate every other week on Saturdays. "The beginner's

class is more urban hiking; the trails aren't quite as long. For the advanced, we can do a hike that could be nine or 10 miles long; it's more out in the hills, climbing mountains. Most of the people who are in the classes actually do them both," Blaine said.

If you are interested in registering for the hiking class, contact the Gila Pueblo Campus Administration Office at (928) 425-8481. Don't forget about the 55+ senior waiver.

Queen Valley Fire Auxiliary holding raffle

Queen Valley Fire Auxiliary is conducting a raffle to help fund the Queen Valley Fire Department. We have worked hard to bring to you some wonderful prizes for the raffle. Because of Covid-19 we are unable to display our items but we can list just a few: Overnight stay and plays, golf vouchers, gift baskets, artisan treasures, florals, food vouchers and much, much more. You can pur-

chase your tickets at Queen Valley Properties or Queen Valley Country Club at any time the businesses are open. You can also call Raffle Chair Toni Morgan at 208-716-3092, and we will come to locals' doors. Tickets will be sold for \$5 each or five for \$20.

The drawing will be held March 13 at the Queen Valley Rec. Center at 2 p.m. You do not need to be present to win.

Take charge of your diabetes

Hope Family Care Center will be hosting a six-week diabetes group class on Zoom to help you or a loved one take control of your or their diabetes. These meetings will be held every Monday from 6-7:15 p.m. starting on Feb. 22, 2021. Topics to help empower you to take charge and make healthy changes include goal setting, monitoring blood sugars, healthy food choices, medications, prevention of complications and ways to prevent diabetes if you do not have it. The cost for these six classes will be \$60. Payment will be due prior to the start of class.

During the six-week course, Chad Campbell will be providing intensive diabetes interventions for any attendee who is interested. These meetings will

be scheduled during regular clinic hours.

If your goal is to improve your health and well-being, this six-week course is for you. To sign up or for more information including how to access Zoom, please call 928-425-8200.

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VFW to conduct flag retirement ceremony followed by dinner

Local veterans from VFW Post 1704 will be conducting a flag retirement ceremony on Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021. The ceremony will begin at 3 p.m. in the rear parking lot of VFW Post 1704, at 707 S. Broad Street in Globe.

The American flag has a unique meaning to each and every person. Not only in the USA, but all around the world, the American flag symbolizes hardiness, valor, vigilance, perseverance, justice, strength and hope. To all, it is a symbol of freedom.

Freedom that has been fought so hard for over the decades.

When our flags have been worn out in worthy service, they must be respectfully retired and disposed of without showing disgrace. According to Title 4-Flag and Seal, Seat of Government, and the United States; Chapter 1-The Flag; §8. Respect for flag, (k);

“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.”

If you have a heavily worn, torn, faded, soiled or damaged flag, bring it on Saturday, Feb. 27, and join us for its proper disposal in this solemn ceremony.

Following the ceremony, you are invited to feast on some mouth-watering homemade chili and cornbread and delicious homemade desserts. We will be serving from 4 – 6 p.m. Meal donation is \$8. You can dine in or have it to go.

Plan to join us for our flag retirement ceremony and stay for dinner – all



starting at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 at VFW Post 1704, 707 S. Broad Street in Globe. Mask and social distancing regulations will be observed.

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**Cameron Farr,
Administrator**

I had the opportunity to be raised by two wonderful parents in Mesa Arizona, where I also graduated from high school. During my youth I was involved with the scouting movement and received my Eagle Scout award.

I served 6 years in the United States Marine Corps, both domestically and overseas in Afghanistan. After receiving an honorable discharge, I used my GI Bill, and attended both MCC and NAU eventually graduating with a degree in Public Administration.

I met my wonderful wife Courtney at MCC at my first class, and she has been putting up with me now for over 6 years. We have 1 daughter and are expecting another in June.

My whole life has revolved around service in one form or another, and in the spirit of service I have excitedly accepted the position of Administrator here at Haven of Globe. I am looking forward to learning about the specific needs of Globe and its surrounding communities as well as partnering with local leaders to be a force for good.

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Thank you

Dearest Friends and Family-
We would like to sincerely thank everyone for every kindness shown in the loss of our beautiful Mother, Frances B. Gonzales. A special thank you to Karen Casillas-Gaona for the loving help you provided in caring for our Mom; Father George and Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church for accommodating us as much as possible through the tight restrictions of our current times; Father George and Father Daniel Cruz (cousin) for officiating Mom's service; Casimir Terrence, alter server; Janet Acevedo and Annette Acevedo-Lopez for the beautiful music during Mass; Mariachi Azteca Del Sol for the serenade outside the church before and after Mass and the songs of our Mother played at the cemetery; Angel Care Home Healthcare and Northland Hospice of Flagstaff, Billet Home Healthcare and Thema Hospice of Globe and all their compassionate staffs for helping Mom along the way; Oasis Printing for printing the lovely Mass booklets; Bouquets on Broad Street for shipping the requested flowers; Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center, St. Luke's Hospital, the Mayo Clinic, Dr. Assar, Dr. Memon and all the healthcare workers who gave us many more years with Mom. Thank you, Ian Lamont and Lamont



The Legacy

*She could not give her children gold.
So she gave them faith to have and hold.
She could not give them royal birth,
A name renowned throughout the earth.
But she gave them seed and a garden spot,
And shade trees when the sun was hot.
She could not give a silver spoon,
Or servants waiting night and noon.
She gave them love and a listening ear,
And told them God was always near.
She could not give them ocean trips,
Aboard majestic sailing ships.
But she gave them books and quiet times.
Adventures found in prose and rhyme.
She could not give them worldly things,
But what she gave was fit for kings.
For with her faith and books and sod,
She made each child aware of God.
-author unknown*

Mortuary for your loving assistance in laying Mom to rest and helping with the extended graveside service. To all who called, texted, e-mailed, Facebook messaged, sent a card, sent flowers, food and gifts, for all the wishes of heart felt condolences, to all those who paused to pray for Mom and our family—we are sincerely grateful to each of you. With all our love,

- * Trinidad & Paula, Zach & Mari, Lane & Rianna
- * Vincent Deano & Karen, Emily & Jesse, Clare & Mark, Anthony & Samantha, Catie & Thomas, Abby & Nick
- * Evelyn & Ken Vargas, Aubrie & Ben, Ana, Andrew & Sydnie
- * Michele "Mitch" & Ray Hernandez, Amanda, Raychele & Nate, Raymi & Keith
- * Tim
- * Reuben * And Mom's Great-Grandchildren



*Oh Lord how great
thou art for even
in my darkest hours
you are there. May you
never leave my side-
Walk with me till the
end & comfort my
children & my grand-children*

From Mom's Journal

Obituaries/Community

Michael Albert Black



Preston Black, Christopher Black, Phillip Black, Craig Kinney, and Jay Kinney.

A funeral service in

memory of Michael Albert Black was held on Friday, Feb. 12, 2021 starting 11 a.m. at Lamont Mortuary of Globe, Az., 328 South Hill Street.

Burial was at Northgate Cemetery, San Carlos, Ariz. at 2 p.m.

Those who so desire may make a memorial donation in memory of Mike; send to Dorma Kinney, P.O. Box 2831, Globe, Az 85502.

Rudolph Gutierrez Avalos



Rudolph "Rudy" Avalos, 85, went home to the Lord on Sunday, Jan. 31, 2021, surrounded by his loving family just four days short of his 86th birthday. He was born in Phoenix, Arizona to Miguel and Josefa Avalos. He was raised in Miami, Arizona where he spent most of his life and where he met his wife of 60 years, Alicia Esparza Avalos. In 1980 he and Alicia moved to Tempe, Arizona with their 2 daughters.

Rudy was one of 11 children. He was known and loved for his kindness and generosity to his family and friends. Everyone he met, he called a friend and he always had time to lend an ear, a helping hand or just have a beer. Rudy had the patience of Job. He rarely showed anger or anxiety over anything.

After graduating from Miami High School, Rudy served in the U.S. Army then returned to Miami to continue working at the Inspiration Consolidated Copper Company for 30+ years. During his career with the copper mine, he received an apprenticeship in electrical instrumentation and the skills he learned would help him in his future jobs. In the 70's Rudy took advantage of the G.I. Bill and attended Gila Pueblo Community College, taking classes in history and photography. Rudy was a voracious reader and never stopped learning. He shared the

ing them about life.

Rudy was preceded in death by his wife, Alicia Esparza Avalos; his parents, Miguel and Josefa Avalos; his sisters, Esperanza Avalos, Maria Avalos and Margie Rodriguez; his brothers Miguelito Avalos, Alfred Avalos and Pris Avalos Sr. He is survived by his 2 daughters, Louisa Pedraza (Russell), and Alicia Thompson (Eric); 4 grandchildren, John Pedraza, Elisa Pedraza, Marisa Thompson and Jenalee Thompson; as well as his siblings, Julian Avalos (Suzy), Globe; Angie Alvarez, Phoenix; and Mike Avalos (Susanna), Globe and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are being handled by Lakeshore Mortuary in Mesa, Arizona. A small Celebration of Life will be held at Chapel at the Farm (The Farmhouse Village), 397 S. Gilbert Rd. Ste. 110, Gilbert, AZ 85296 on Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021 at 1 p.m. The service will be available through livestream on Lakeshore's Facebook Page for those who are unable to attend. The service will observe Covid-19 protocols; social distancing and masks will be required.

In lieu of flowers, please donate in Rudy's memory to Hospice of the Valley, 1510 E. Flower Street, Phoenix, AZ 85014 or online at www.HOV.org.

Deadlines for Obituaries

Obituary deadlines are on Mondays at 8 a.m. for the Copper Country News and Mondays at 10 a.m. for the Arizona Silver Belt. Obituaries can be submitted by email at obits@silverbelt.com, or in person at 298 N Pine Street in Globe. For more information, call the office at 928-425-7121.

Trash Mob planned for February

Covid-19 cautious Trash Mobs happen every month along with larger-scale quarterly community clean ups. The next one is scheduled for Feb. 27 from 8-10 a.m. along Hwy 60 between Main Street/ Escudilla west towards Sonic and North Cherry Avenue.

Bring your used grocery bags or other shopping bags to fill up with trash. Bring your masks and gloves too; we're covering a large enough area that we can all spread out and maintain proper social distance, while pitching in together to help clean up our city.

The Trash Mob on Jan. 30 had volunteers ages 6-68 clean the highway for two hours, removing a dumpster full of trash. Thanks to the incredible people from Capstone Mining, Cathy Sanchez-Canez Memorial Foundation, City of Globe, Cobre Valley Watershed Partnership, Gila Proud, Globe High School, US Forest Service-Globe Ranger Station, Hunter & Hunter Rotary.

For more info, connect directly with cleanup volunteers and get updates on Facebook at <http://facebook.com/groups/globecleanandbeautiful>

or <http://facebook.com/GilaPROUD>. Anyone with questions, or wanting to help sponsor or donate to the morning cleanup is welcome to call or text Michelle Yerkovich at 928-961-0117 or Regina Ortega-Leonardi at 808-373-0032. Partners in the clean up include the Cathy Sanchez-Canez Memorial Foundation, Capstone, US Forest Service, Gila Proud, Cobre Valley Watershed Partnership, Globe High School and City of Globe.

Send your community events to news@coppercountrynews.com

Deadlines are Thursdays@noon

Community

Globe Public Library update for February

Globe Public Library is located at 339 S. Broad Street. The phone number is 928-425-6111. Globe Library is open by appointment only, Monday –Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Appointments are available as follows: 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., 9:45 - 10:45 a.m., 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., 12:30 - 1:30 p.m., 1:45 – 2:45 p.m. and 3 – 3:45 p.m. Masks are required to enter. Hand sanitizing stations are available throughout the library.

Globe Public Library has a patron survey. We want to learn what we can do better to serve our community. Your constructive feedback is welcome. The surveys can be picked up at the Globe Public Library, the Gila County Historical Museum and Bullock Plaza Museum, or completed online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdYVVI8KK_-jpbTGzn0-pHVus5B43rDJn1ULIKgxF_-gbLOOSg/viewform?usp=sf_link. Thank you for helping us make Globe Public Library a better place for everyone.

Events

February 16, 23 - Virtual Family Storytime with Robin is at 9:30 a.m. We will have a grab and go kit to go with each storytime. These can be picked up any time after storytime, all week.

February 16 – Countdown to Landing Livestream. NASA engineering and education experts will answer student questions about the Mars rover Perseverance and discuss what to expect on landing day, February 18. This will be broadcast on YouTube. There are two sessions.

The high school students' session is at 10:15 a.m. The link is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0kraL550Pvs>.

The middle school students' session is at 12:30 p.m. The link is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=io-3sDkLlv4>.

February 17 – Countdown to Landing Livestream. NASA



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Call the Globe Library for news on upcoming events at 928-425-6111.

engineering and education experts will answer student questions about the Mars rover Perseverance and discuss what to expect on landing day, February 18. This will be broadcast on YouTube. This session will be for elementary school students. It will start at 10:30 a.m. The link is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2kFxrZU1g>.

February 18 – Landing Day. NASA will have a livestream on YouTube all day. It will start at 10:30 a.m. The link is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9H1gVC5IEo>.

Be sure to come to our last Mission to Mars at 3 p.m. We will be landing on Mars. Make sure to stop by the Globe Public Library to pick up your Grab and Go Mars Kit.

The 1,000 Books before Kindergarten Program is starting at the Globe Public Library. This program is designed to help children read 1,000 books before entering kindergarten and encouraging lifelong reading habits. You can register online

at <https://globepubliclibrary.azsummerreading.org/> or come to the Globe Public Library for the paper form. If you have used the summer reading program online, you can use the same login to register for 1,000 Books. Children will be rewarded for every 100 books they read. They will receive a grand prize when they finish the 1,000 books.

March 5 – Read America/Dr. Seuss' Birthday Drive-thru celebration. Come on over to the Globe Public Library and help us celebrate Read America and Dr. Seuss' birthday. The drive-thru birthday party will start at 12 p.m. The Cat in the Hat and Things 1 & 2 will be there to hand out the party bags while supplies last.

Services

We are also offering curbside pick-up. You can call the library or request books and DVDs online and pick them up from the comfort of your car. Just give the library a call at 928-425-6111 when you get to the library, and we will run the materials out to you.

We are now offering wireless printing. You can print from your phone, laptop, or desktop computer from home. You need to download the "Princh" app from the App Store or Google Play or open your browser and type: print.princh.com in the address line. Open your document and select "Print." Be sure to choose the Globe Public Library Printer #103148. The costs are the same, \$0.25 per page. You can choose to pay by credit card or select pay at the desk. Then just come to the library to pick up your prints.

Due to Covid-19, we have to quarantine all returned materials for seven days before checking in. All fines will be waived during this time. Now is a great time to return anything that you have out. All fines are waived when they are returned.

We are now offering books for sale. You can check out our small selection with an appointment.

SBA reaches \$200 billion milestone in Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program to Small Businesses and Non-Profits

The [U.S. Small Business Administration](https://www.sba.gov) has reached a milestone in the success of the Covid-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program, which has provided U.S. small businesses, non-profits and agricultural businesses a total of \$200 billion in emergency funding.

"Following the enactment of Covid-19 emergency legislation, the SBA has now provided more

than 3.7 million small businesses employing more than 20 million people with \$200 billion through the unprecedented Covid-19 EIDL loan program," SBA Acting Administrator Tami Perriello said. "SBA remains committed to helping small businesses recover from the unprecedented economic effects of Covid-19."

SBA is still accepting Covid-19 EIDL loan applications

as the deadline to [apply](#) has been extended to Dec. 31, 2021. EIDL funding is used to pay fixed debts, payroll and expenses, accounts payable and other bills that can't be paid because of the disaster's impact.

This financial resource has allowed millions of small business owners across America to retain employees, continue operating and support their communities

during the Covid-19 pandemic.

SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are just one piece of the expanded focus of the federal government's coordinated response. SBA is strongly committed to providing the most effective and customer-focused programs possible.

As a reminder, the loan portion of the Covid-19 EIDL program continues to have funds available at

very affordable and flexible terms, with an automatic deferment of one year before monthly payments begin.

Every eligible small business and non-profit is encouraged to visit sba.gov/coronavirusrelief to get more information about [applying for EIDL](#) and other economic recovery programs.

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David Sowders/Copper Country News

UnitedHealthcare and Best Care Behavioral Homes will be presenting a special open house event to introduce Best Care to the Globe-Miami community.

Open house for new Best Care campus planned

Best Care Behavioral Homes is opening a new campus in the former East Globe School building, located at 439 S. Fourth Street in Globe. The event will be on Saturday, Feb. 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The open house will feature light refreshments and drinks, UnitedHealthcare giveaways, services, informational handouts and health information. Guests can also learn more about the Dual Special Needs Medicare Advantage plan, for which those who have Medicare and Medicaid may qualify. This plan provides additional benefits and services designed to help people live a healthier life at no additional cost to them.

The community is invited to stop by the Best Care campus open house, and guests are encouraged to bring a friend.

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Globe High Band brings school spirit



Andrea Justice/Copper Country News

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The Gila County Regional Spelling Bee Competition was held on Feb. 4 at High Desert Middle School in Globe. Pictured are first place winner Aislyn Alexander, Gila County School Superintendent Roy Sandoval, and third place winner Lola Ustariz. Not pictured is second place winner Frank Caldera.

DES announces new Emergency Rental Assistance Program

In a Feb. 9 news release, the Arizona Department of Economic Security announced that it will partner with Arizona counties to launch a new Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) to provide financial assistance and housing stability. Funding will be used toward direct payments for rent, rental arrears, utilities, utility arrears and other housing stability expenses incurred due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The ERAP was established by the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021. Arizona will receive a total of \$492 million from the U.S. Department of the Treasury to implement the program. DES was awarded \$289 million and will partner with 12 Arizona counties to distribute emergency rental and utility assistance. DES will serve Apache, Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, La Paz, Mohave, Navajo, Pinal, Santa Cruz and Yavapai Counties. The remaining balance was awarded to municipalities with more than 200,000 people to distribute locally.

Several large counties and cities, including Maricopa, Pima and Yuma Counties, receive funding directly from the federal government. Those counties plan to launch their own rental assistance programs, which will be separate from the DES program. Renters residing in cities and counties other than those listed above are encouraged to contact their local jurisdictions for similar programs. The DES portal will also direct renters living outside these counties to their respective programs.

“Households across the state continue to face economic challenges due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and we are pleased to be able to provide this new assistance program alongside the other services we have to offer at DES,” said DES Director Michael Wisehart. “We will work quickly and diligently to provide rental and utility assistance to those in need.”

Emergency Rental Assistance Payment Details

Beginning Feb. 23, 2021, Arizona

households will be able to apply for up to \$3,500 in rental and utility assistance per month. Payments may also be made for rental and/or utility arrears. After their initial application, households may receive up to 12 months of assistance. After receiving 12 months of benefits, whether for arrears or future payments, the household may apply for a three-month extension of benefits upon providing documentation of eligibility to the Department.

Payments will be issued directly to landlords and/or utility companies on the renter’s behalf.

Eligibility Requirements

The ERAP is available to both landlords and renters. While both may apply for assistance, eligibility is based on the renter’s address and ability to meet the following criteria:

The renter has a risk of homelessness, housing instability or unsafe living conditions demonstrated by the following: Eviction notice, utility shutoff notice, past due rent notice, past due utility notice, or any other evidence of unsafe or unhealthy living conditions or housing instability.

The renter or member of the renter’s household is eligible for unemployment insurance benefits or has experienced a financial hardship as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The renter’s household income is less than or equal to 80 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI): Assistance priority will be given to renters with household incomes under 50 percent of the AMI and to those who have been unemployed 90 days or longer.

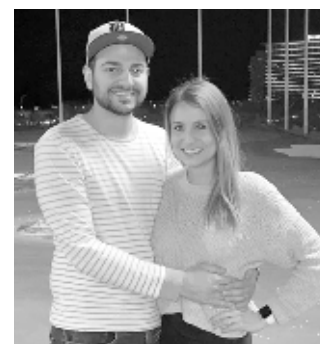
During their application, renters will need to provide a copy of their lease/rental agreement, photo ID, electricity and/or gas bill, disconnection notice (if any), proof of income, eviction notice (if applicable) and proof of hardship, such as a termination letter.

Individuals may apply online at des.gov/ERAP beginning Feb. 23, 2021.

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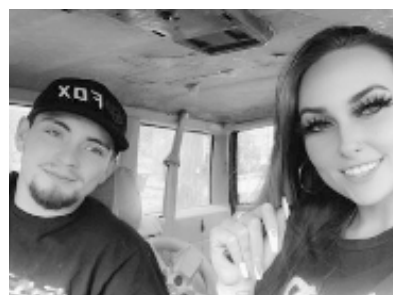
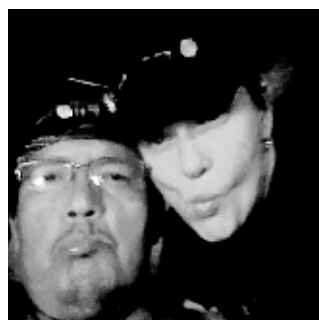
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San Carlos Apache Culture Center begins new Apache Clan Project

With new funding for a special project to research Apache clans, the San Carlos Apache Culture Center will begin the Apache Clan Project by announcing the selection of their new project coordinator, Tia Early.

Mrs. Early comes into this project with past history in working with the San Carlos Apache Tribal Historic Preservation and Archaeology Office, as well as working administratively with various San Carlos

Apache Tribal departments and business enterprises. Most recently, Mrs. Early was the assistant project coordinator at SCTI before the pandemic closure and has marketing experience with the Apache Gold Casino Resort. Mrs. Early's

maternal clan is Tse'kinah and her paternal clan is Tsebina'zt'I'eh'. Mrs. Early says she is looking forward to being a part of this exciting position with the Apache Clan Project and all of the participants.

Mrs. Early will be work-

ing on a part-time basis with the San Carlos Apache Culture Center Director, Marlowe Cassadore, on the 15-Month Grant Project to research and better understand the Apache clans and the traditional Apache foods and plants found in their clan homelands.

Tribal members will share and learn about their clans, where they come from, and the foods and plants found in their homeland. The project originators hope their findings will help Tribal members to identify themselves as being from a certain clan with positive characteristics and traits that will strengthen their awareness of who they are and also learn of the healthy foods their clans ate in their homelands along with more historical information about the clans. Project activities include travel to clan homelands, clan member interviews and a collection of historical data



Courtesy photo
Tia Early project coordinator.

that will be available at the San Carlos Apache Culture Center for future reference.

Small workshops and a finale conference are also planned for the community to participate in and gather the research findings.

If you would like to learn more about your clan or would like to share, keep in mind the San Carlos Apache Culture Center and the Apache Clan Project are actively seeking elders, youth and community members who are interested in sharing their clan information as well as traveling to their clan homelands.

If you have any questions regarding this new Apache Clan Project, please feel free to contact Marlowe Cassadore or Tia Early at 928-475-2894 or feel free to send an email to marlowe.cassadore@scatnsn.gov. or tiamtearly@gmail.com.



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excited to have the hands-on, kinesthetic learning experience return, full of movement and torque. The shop's record quickly advanced to 7-0 as they shifted into new projects, which included fuel pump, throttle sensor, water pump, brakes, carburetor rebuild, oil changes and tire rotations; all completed with a flawless safety record.

The GHS Auto Team would like to thank the community for all their continued support. For a tax-deductible donation,

the team would also like to serve the community with their oil changes, brake replacement and auto detailing needs. All donations will be greatly appreciated, especially if they have an engine.

To schedule your auto glass replacement and to receive a complimentary Judy's Cook House breakfast, please call or text the GHS Auto Shop at 928-241-9068, or email david.palmer@globe-schools.org.

Benefit Ride for Ezra planned

Baby Ezra Allen was born on Feb. 9 and has been diagnosed with Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH) which affects the internal organs. Ezra had his first surgery within hours of birth, with several more to help correct this and a long road of recovery.

There will be a Benefit Ride for Baby Ezra on Saturday, Feb. 20 at 10:30 a.m. at Roosevelt Resort, 358 Stagecoach Trail in Roosevelt. Kickstands up at noon with stops at Bernie's, 1275 Wheatfields Rd. and then the American Legion, 645 S. Broad St. in Globe. Stops will be cash only. There will be a 50/50 raffle and auctions. The cost is \$10 per person and includes dinner at the American Legion. An account has been set up to help the family with cost at any Bank of the West, account #066099524.



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Upcoming Community meetings for Supervisor Humphrey

Tonto Basin Community Meeting, March 2, at 5 p.m.,
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Walking with Jesus in gladness

By **DR. DAN MORTON**
Contributor

I am an early riser and get up ready to meet the new day. There may be things on my mind that an artist would paint as clouds, but those can be puffy and light. When flying across country, I like to see the clouds and can almost imagine them to be big comforters like on Grandma's bed. I then look down at the ground spread out like a gigantic quilt pattern and try to think of what the people are doing – farm chores, trucking milk to the depot, visiting friends, all with joyful hearts.

When we walk with Jesus, we can share with Him both our concerns and our joys. Some wise person said that when we share our concerns, they are divided.

The Real Thing

When people learn you're a Christian, they want to know if you're "for real." Many people have tried religion or church, and had a bad experience with someone who wasn't really reflecting Jesus in their attitude or actions. God is making His appeal to the world through us (see 2 Corinthians 5:20), which is why it's so important for us to love people like Jesus does.

Do you know anyone who just lights up a room? Like that person, Christians who let the light of Jesus shine through their love for people can change the whole atmosphere around them. Unbelievers should feel something different (in a good way) about us—even if they don't understand why.

Wherever you go today, aim to be salt and light (see Matthew 5:16), so those around you will know that your relationship with Jesus is the real thing, and that His love is for them, too.

Prayer Starter: Father, thank You for equipping me to love people like Jesus today. Please help me reflect You well in everything I say and do, so the people in my path can eventually find You. In Jesus' name, amen.

When we share our joys, they are multiplied. Jesus listens and loves us through any trying moments. Dispensing with our concerns we can welcome the joys on our walk. A bright new flower, a cardinal in our favorite tree, the aroma coming from the bakery, the sound of music as the choir is practicing, all promote gladness in our day.

Changing the time of our walk due to weather or appointments may provide new-found joys. Instead of moaning about "missing" our usual routine, we can celebrate the newness. As a hymn tells us, "When morning gilds the skies, My heart awaking cries, May Jesus Christ be praised." Let us celebrate the gladness and share it with others.

Worship

The God who is with His people

By PASTOR NICK JONES
Maranatha Baptist Church

Is God with you? Are you a follower of Christ who has the assurance of God's continual guidance in your life? It seems to me that if one looks to God's words in the Bible, then one must conclude that God is ever present with His people. Perhaps the Psalms are a good start to understand God's closeness.

The book of Psalms is a treasure trove of songs of praise, cries for help, and laments in dark times. The vast scope of human emotion is truthfully displayed as each of the Psalmists bare their hearts to God. At the same time, the book of Psalms teaches us who God is and how God acts. So much so that the great reformer, Martin Luther, called the book of Psalms "the Bible in miniature." Here we come to understand the human problem is sin and our only hope is God Himself.

One Psalm that is filled with such treasure also happens to be the 4th longest Psalm in the Bible, the 18th Psalm. In reading and studying this magnificently written song of deliverance, we see the heart of David, a man whom God used mightily and yet a man who was filled with flaws. We read of David reflecting on his past, reflecting

on the difficult times when his life was being threatened. However, through it all David can see how God was the one who got him through; God was always with him (Psalm 18:48).

The retrospective eye is a blessing from God. We can remember the past, remember those times in life when we thought there was no way we would be able to get through, and yet by the grace of God, we did. However, in the midst of such situations, no one could have convinced us otherwise. Can you think of a time like that? Now, with the benefit of the 20/20 vision of hindsight, do you see how God got you through it? Do you see how God was there every step of the way and how He eventually led you through the "Red Sea," out of trouble and into His rest?

In Psalm 18, David speaks of literal battles he had to fight and yet when he reflects upon them, he speaks as if God's hand were David's own - as if God came down from the heavens and conquered as a great warrior. The retrospective eye of David sees that God was involved every step of the way and in every minute detail. God is not far off in the galaxy somewhere leaving us to our own devices. God is with us every moment and has His hand in every de-



tail. One of the blessings of reflecting upon the past is seeing that God was faithful then, so we can be assured that He will continue to be faithful in the future.

However, many people view God as an impersonal, distant being rather than the personal God portrayed in the Bible. It turns out, perhaps not surprisingly, that many people have a view of Christianity that is not Biblical or historic, including teenagers who have grown up going to church. Sociologists Christian Smith and Melinda Lundquist Denton spent many hours interviewing approximately 3,000 teenagers only to discover that, although most of them self-identified as Christians, how they expressed their beliefs opposed orthodox Christianity.

In order to classify what

these teens were espousing, Smith and Denton were forced to coin a new phrase, Moralistic Therapeutic Deism. This basic premise says that *a god* does exist, created the world, and wants everyone to be nice and happy. However, this *god* doesn't really need to be a part of your life unless you need help with a problem. And finally, good people go to heaven when they die. Unfortunately, it has been my experience that it is not simply teenagers who believe this, but the vast majority of people who have even the smallest form of a religious background. Albert Mohler comments, "Let's be very clear, Moralistic Therapeutic Deism is religion, but it isn't Christianity. It's nowhere close to biblical Christianity." Yet, it seems to be the assumption of many people that

the above ideas do accurately reflect Christian belief.

While many people will never use a term like Moralistic Therapeutic Deism to describe their worldview, it seems to be that the basic tenets are widely held by many people. "Yes, I believe in God, but I don't believe

He is with me or cares about how I live." In the past, I have simply regarded this type of thinking as irreligious or indifferent. Yes, they would say they believe in *a god*, but they simply couldn't be bothered by this *god*. Yes, they would pray if they were in a bind, but to join a group of like-minded people seems preposterous. Yes, they think that they deserve to go to heaven when they die, but solely to be with lost loved ones in some type of paradise existence, not to be with God. According to this mindset, life is primarily about one's self-fulfillment and happiness. There is no sense of the intimate nearness of God.

Regarding this thinking, two primary ideas must be considered. First, knowledge of God is ultimately

only achieved through His sovereign hand. Knowing God is what Christian salvation is all about (cf. John 17:3). Therefore, one must remember that growing up in a Christian church and having Christian family members does not make one a Christian ipso facto. Secondly, Christians must strive to be even more clear about the truth of God and the gospel as revealed in the Bible. We must not allow traditions or culture to get in the way of what is truly Biblical.

The end goal of Christianity, then, can be summarized in the words of the Westminster theologians of the 17th century who insightfully wrote, "Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever." We enjoy God by being with God. The God who is daily directing the steps of His people. Our God is with His people always (Matthew 28:20).

Do you believe this? If you are a true follower of Christ, I know you do! Therefore, while the world may lose hope, you must be encouraged today as you look back at hard times of the past, seeing how God has brought you to this day and knowing that He who kept you then knows how to keep you in the future. This is the God who is with His people!

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AZYP is saving lives with Naloxone kits

The Copper Basin Coalition and the Globe Office of Arizona Youth Partnership (AZYP) are proud to announce a joint partnership that will help save lives in the region.

The Copper Basin Coalition is working to increase community knowledge of Naloxone and its availability to our residents. As part of this partnership, AZYP will serve as a distribution site for Naloxone which will be provided at no cost.

Naloxone is a reversal agent for opioid overdoses that has saved hundreds of

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Charlene Becker is Globe's Parent Educator and Case Manager for Arizona Youth Partnership's 'Starting Out Right' program, and describes the new class series: "We'll have more classes during February, March and

April. The one that begins Wednesday of next week is specifically for pregnant or parenting teens up to age 19. We explore a variety of topics ranging from financial literacy to job searching tips, how to prepare for your job interview and maintaining a budget for yourself or your household. We talk about careers and goal-setting. Males and females are both equally welcome. Other topics over the six weeks that we'll meet include HIV and other STDs and how those could affect their lives. We talk about birth control and condoms, and I teach about the stages of pregnancy, and parenting - if they already have a child." Sign up with an email to Charlene@azyp.org, call her office, 425-9276, or text 812-0555, or private message [facebook.com/charlene.sor](https://www.facebook.com/charlene.sor).

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to know just where your money goes. Workshop topics include Planning for Emergency Events, Costs of Debt, and Understanding Credit Score and Credit Reports.

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Better Business Bureau warns of pop-up wedding planner scam

Countless brides and grooms have changed their wedding plans throughout the pandemic. Many have turned to securing their nuptials with nontraditional services that are convenient and less expensive. Unfortunately, scammers have found a way to take advantage of this sacred event.

As reported to the Better Business Bureau Serving the Pacific Southwest (BBB) Scam Tracker, consumers have fallen victim

to a pop-up wedding planner. They allege the company advertises to plan the entire wedding and conveniently drops everything at a chosen destination. Fees are requested up front, but the company becomes unresponsive after initial communication. As swiftly as the so-called service arrives it vanishes, leaving disappointed brides and grooms short on cash and stranded on their wedding day.

While legitimate companies with this model exist, it's important to research and choose a trustworthy business. Always read the fine print and contracts before signing, request a receipt and understand the company's policies. Ask for references of previous clients for feedback to ensure a company has an honest track record. BBB advises consumers to research companies on bbb.org before doing business.

Early morning delays possible on State Route 77 in Winkelman

Motorists who cross the Gila River Bridge on State Route 77 in Winkelman may encounter early morning delays on Wednesday, Feb. 17 and Friday, Feb. 19, while crews pour concrete to form the remaining bridge deck.

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