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## Volunteer for Jan. 30 'Trash Mob' Cleanup on Highway 60

We all despise roadside trash - and here's your chance to join other local volunteers for a Highway 60 cleanup on Saturday morning, Jan. 30.

"Calling all volunteers," wrote Michelle from Globe Clean and Beautiful. "We'll meet at the UPS parking lot at 8 a.m. and work until 10 a.m., picking up trash all along Highway 60 from the Circle K back west to the Taco Bell. Please wear gloves and bring your used grocery bags or other shopping bags to fill up with trash. Bring your masks, too; and 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."

Prior events beautified Highway 60 near Hilltop Motors last month and sections of Pinal Creek in November. Organizers plan to continue monthly cleanups across the Cobre Valley throughout 2021. Connect directly with cleanup volunteers and get

updates at [facebook.com/groups/globecleanandbeautiful](https://facebook.com/groups/globecleanandbeautiful) and [facebook.com/GilaPROUD](https://facebook.com/GilaPROUD). Anyone with questions or wanting to help sponsor or donate to the morning cleanup is welcome to call or text Michelle at 928-961-0117, or Regina Ortega-Leonardi at 808-373-0032. Partners in the cleanup include the Cathy Sanchez-Cañez Memorial Foundation, Capstone, US Forest Service, Gila Proud, Cobre Valley Watershed Partnership, Globe High School, City of Globe and Hunter & Hunter Construction.

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## Virtual Healthy Living with Diabetes Workshop scheduled for Feb. 4

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meets for two hours, once a week, for six weeks. Participants will receive a free Healthy Living with Chronic Conditions book. The workshop is free of charge, but participation is limited.

Please email [maryg@pgcsc.org](mailto:maryg@pgcsc.org) to register by Jan. 31, 2021. You will receive information on how to participate via computer, iPad, phone or any mobile device. The workshop will be on Thursdays, Feb. 4 through March 11, from 10 a.m. to noon.

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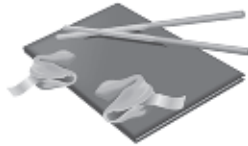
## Richard Gilson wins Silver Belt "Who's That Santa?" contest



David Sowders/Arizona Silver Belt

Richard Gilson Jr., of San Carlos, stops by the Arizona Silver Belt office with his granddaughter Malia Jae Gilson after winning the Silver Belt's "Who's That Santa?" contest. Richard's prize for identifying the most Santas was a Safeway gift card.

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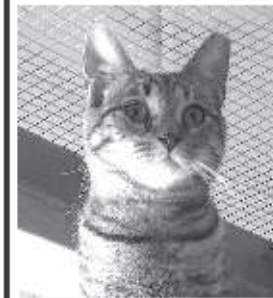
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## Pet of the week



Milo - Male

Milo is a multi color tabby. His date of birth is 6/10/20. He has been neutered. Milo is very friendly and gets along well with other cats, not sure how he likes dogs.

For more info about him, contact Cheryl at the

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# USDA announces quality loss assistance for eligible agricultural producers

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced that signup for the Quality Loss Adjustment (QLA) Program began on Wednesday, Jan. 6. Funded by the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2020, this new program provides assistance to producers who suffered eligible crop quality losses due to natural disasters occurring in 2018 and 2019. The deadline to apply for QLA is Friday, March 5.

“Farmers and livestock producers nationwide experienced crop quality losses due to natural disasters in 2018 and 2019,” said USDA Undersecretary for Farm Production and Conservation Bill Northey. “We have worked diligently over the past couple of years to roll out meaningful disaster assistance programs to help alleviate the substantial financial loss experienced by so many agricultural producers and are pleased to offer quality loss assistance as added relief. Many of the eligible producers have already received compensation for quantity losses.”

Eligible crops include those for which federal crop insurance or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage is available, except for grazed crops and value loss crops

such as honey, maple sap, aquaculture, floriculture, mushrooms, ginseng root, ornamental nursery, Christmas trees and turfgrass sod.

Additionally, crops that were sold or fed to livestock or that are in storage may be eligible; however, crops that were destroyed before harvest are not eligible. Crop quality losses occurring after harvest due to deterioration in storage, or that could have been mitigated, are also not eligible.

Assistance is based on a producer’s harvested affected production of an eligible crop, which must have had at least a five percent quality loss reflected through a quality discount; or for forage crops, a nutrient loss such as total digestible nutrients.

Losses must have been a result of a qualifying disaster event (hurricane, excessive moisture, flood, qualifying drought, tornado, typhoon, volcanic activity, snowstorm or wildfire) or related condition that occurred in calendar years 2018 and/or 2019.

Assistance is available for eligible producers in counties that received a qualifying Presidential Emergency Disaster Declaration or Secretarial Disaster Designation because of one or more of the qualifying disaster events or related conditions.

For drought, producers

are eligible for QLA if the loss occurred in an area within a county rated by the U.S. Drought Monitor as having a D3 (extreme drought) or higher intensity level during 2018 or 2019.

Producers in counties that did not receive a qualifying declaration or designation may still apply but must also provide supporting documentation to establish that the crop was directly affected by a qualifying disaster event.

To determine QLA eligibility and payments, FSA considers the total quality loss caused by all qualifying natural disasters in cases where a crop was impacted by multiple events.

When applying, producers are asked to provide verifiable documentation to support claims of quality loss or nutrient loss in the case of forage crops. For crops that have been sold, grading must have been completed within 30 days of harvest, and for forage crops a laboratory analysis must have been completed within 30 days of harvest.

Some acceptable forms of documentation include sales receipts from buyers, settlement sheets, truck or warehouse scale tickets, written sales contracts, similar records that represent actual and specific quality loss information, and forage tests for nutritional values.

QLA payments are based on formulas for the type of crop (forage or non-forage) and loss documentation submitted. Based on this documentation, FSA is calculating payments based on the producer’s own individual loss or the county average loss. More information on payments can be found on [farmers.gov/quality-loss](http://farmers.gov/quality-loss).

FSA will issue payments once the application period ends. If the total amount of calculated QLA payments exceeds available program funding, payments will be prorated.

For each crop year, 2018, 2019 and 2020, the maximum amount that a person or legal entity may receive, directly or indirectly, is \$125,000. Payments made to a joint operation (including a general partnership or joint venture) will not exceed \$125,000, multiplied by the number of persons and legal entities that comprise the ownership of the joint operation. A person or legal entity is ineligible for QLA payment if the person’s or legal entity’s average adjusted gross income exceeds \$900,000, unless at least 75 percent is derived from farming, ranching or forestry-related activities.

All producers receiving QLA Program payments are required to purchase crop insurance or NAP coverage for the next two



*Courtesy photo*

**The deadline to apply for QLA is Friday, March 5.**

available crop years at the 60 percent coverage level or higher. If eligible, QLA participants may meet the insurance purchase requirement by purchasing Whole-Farm Revenue Protection coverage offered through USDA’s Risk Management Agency.

For more information, visit [farmers.gov/quality-loss](http://farmers.gov/quality-loss), or contact your local USDA Service Center. Producers can also obtain one-on-one support with applications by calling 877-508-8364.

All USDA Service Centers are open for business, including those that restrict in-person visits or require appointments. All Service Center visitors wishing

to conduct business with FSA, Natural Resources Conservation Service, or any other Service Center agency should call ahead and schedule an appointment. Service Centers that are open for appointments will pre-screen visitors based on health concerns or recent travel, and visitors must adhere to social distancing guidelines. Visitors are also required to wear a face covering during their appointment. Program delivery staff will continue to work with producers by phone, email and using online tools. More information can be found at [farmers.gov/coronavirus](http://farmers.gov/coronavirus).

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# Superior Court: Defense attorneys needed for juvenile dependency, guardianship

The civil right to an attorney is among the pillars of our justice system – and this month Gila County Superior Court issued a call for lawyers to provide legal representation to indigent defendants in cases of juvenile dependency, guardianship/conservatorship, guardian-ad-litem; and ‘best interests attorney’ services. Full details of the contract are online at [gilacountyaz.gov](http://gilacountyaz.gov); or call Gila County Procurement at 928-402-4355. Deadline for licensed barristers to submit bids is Jan. 28 (a

Thursday) at 3 p.m. Who may apply? The most basic and minimum requirement is to be a licensed lawyer and member of the Arizona Bar Association. Those prerequisites met, applicants will be ranked on a variety of criteria ranging from ‘years of experience,’ to ‘references/recommendations.’ The scales will be tipped based on additional criteria such as ‘willingness to travel to Payson and Globe,’ and ‘willing to accept appointments in various case types.’ Experience counts,

too: applicant should have at least one year’s worth working in one or more of the following categories: dependency or delinquency law; child welfare system; family law; mental health and guardianships. Ideal applicant should be familiar with services and/or resources related to mental health for parents, infants, toddlers, and adolescents; substance abuse, domestic violence, education - and job / vocational training. Read full payment details at [gilacountyaz.gov](http://gilacountyaz.gov); from the dropdown menu choose

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## Superior Chamber and Resolution Copper team up for giveaways

The Superior Chamber of Commerce, with the support of Resolution Copper Mining, is hosting the Great Gift Card Giveaway from now through March 6th. Nestled against the mountains and only 30 minutes east of Apache Junction, this promotion allows shoppers to enter the drawing at every participating location for spending as little as \$5 at the business. There is no limit to the number of cards a person can win but you may only enter once per day, per business. Three times during the promotion (Jan. 23, Feb. 13 and Mar. 6), winners



will be drawn from the raffle boxes and each will win a \$100 gift card for that location. In addition, every entrant will have three opportunities to win a \$100 card for service businesses, such as massage, facials and Jeep Tours.

The Chamber looks forward to awarding over \$7,500 in gift cards. Don't miss this opportunity to win, as well as discover the quaint and friendly Town of Superior. Questions? Call the Chamber at 520-827-0200.

## Community meetings for Supervisor Humphrey

The Claypool Community Meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 5 p.m.. Call-In 701-802-5407 Access Code 7878132

Send community news, photos or feedback to [news@coppercountrynews.com](mailto:news@coppercountrynews.com).

## Community Working Group meets tonight

The Community Working Group for the Resolution Copper Project will be meeting 'virtually' online until it is safe to resume in-person meetings - it's expected that in-person meetings will once again be open to the public.

The next online meeting will be on Wednesday, Jan. 13 at 6 p.m. Arizona Strategies will update the CWG on town planning and economic development studies being conducted for the Superior

area. Summaries of all past meetings, presentations and other materials are available to the public at the CWG website, <http://SuperiorAZCWG.org/>. Comments and questions can also be submitted there.

The CWG includes residents and stakeholders from the Town of Superior, Queen Valley, Hewitt Station, Globe, Kearny, Winkelman, Hayden, the San Carlos Community and around the area.

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# Obituaries

## Joseph Aguilar



On Friday, Dec. 11, 2020 at Cobre Valley Medical Center, the Aguilar family lost their beloved Joseph R. "Joey" Aguilar, 79, unexpectedly to complications of Covid-19. He was born Nov. 10, 1941 in Miami, Arizona, the son of Pedro and Rosa (Galindo) Aguilar.

Joey graduated from Miami High School, Class of 1961. Following graduation, he married his high school sweetheart and the love of his life, Ramona Carrizosa. Joey served four years in the U.S. Air Force, Airman 1st Class, while stationed at the Travis AF Base in California. He worked for over 30 years as a pipefitter at the local copper mine.

Joey and Mona celebrated 57 years of marriage in February.

In addition to his parents,

he was preceded in death by his sisters Connie and Celsa. He is survived by his wife Mona; sisters Carmen, Chelo, Lucy (Manuel) and Lorraine; brother Peter; children Eddie (Roxanne), Yvonne (Joe), JP (JoAnne), Kimberly and Rhonda (Keith); 18 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Joey, also known to many as "Butch," was an amazing husband, father, grandfather and friend. He was a devout Catholic who

loved volunteering at his church, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament in Miami, Arizona. He enjoyed going on walks, listening to music, camping, playing sudoku and 6-5-4, and most of all spending time with his family and friends. He had an amazing work ethic, strong faith and an infectious laugh, and was always willing to help those in need.

A public service of remembrance and visitation was held 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17 at Bulman Miles Funeral Services, 237 S. Sutherland St., Globe, Arizona. A private service was held Friday, Dec. 18 at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church.

The family was assisted by Bulman Miles Funeral Services Globe, [www.BulmanMiles.com](http://www.BulmanMiles.com).

## Frank Cline



Frank Leroy Cline, age 72, of Star Valley, Ariz. passed away on Monday, Jan. 4, 2021 at Banner University Medical Center in Phoenix, Arizona.

He was born in Phoenix, Ariz. on July 10, 1948. He was the son of Willena Bell (Byrne) and James Leroy Cline.

Frank worked as an automotive mechanic.

He served his country proudly in the U.S. Army during Vietnam.

He was preceded in

death by his parents Willena and James Cline.

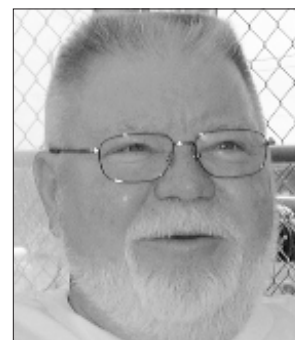
Frank is survived by his wife Denise Michelle (Baehr) Cline of Star Val-

ley, his son Brian Cline of Eustace, Texas, his stepdaughter Elizabeth Sanders of Williams, his stepson Dan Watkins of Michigan, his sister Callie Sargent (George) of Globe and four grandchildren, along with his faithful pets Sophia, Baxie, Bella and Gizmo.

Funeral services will be private.

Assisting the family; Lamont Mortuary of Globe.

## Raymond Shannon



Raymond Leroy Shannon of Batesville, Indiana passed away after battling Covid-19 on Jan. 3, 2021 at Mercy Hospital in Fairfield, Ohio.

Raymond was born on May 28, 1940 in Clinton, Indiana to Clara Jane (Little) and Raymond Eugene Shannon. After graduating from Sullivan High School, Raymond married his high school sweetheart, Judith (Milam) Shannon in 1959. Raymond received his BS from Indiana State University in 1962. He taught many years around the state of Indiana before moving to Arizona where he finished out his long and distinguished career as a teacher at Globe High School and then Miami High School.

Raymond loved teaching, spending time with his family and traveling. This

loving husband, father, brother, grandfather and great-grandfather will be dearly missed by all who were fortunate enough to know him.

Raymond is preceded in death by his parents Jane Waterford and Raymond Shannon Sr. as well as his stepfather Paul Waterford, his brother Charles Shannon and his beloved wife Judith Shannon. Raymond is survived by his children Matthew (Julie) Shannon, Janessa (Richard) Red-

mon, Derrick Shannon and Jocelyn (Shane) Whitaker; his grandchildren Lorelei Shannon, Christopher (Alyssa) Waters, Charles Shannon, Geoffrey (Carrisa) Redmon, Elaina Jones, Gregory Redmon and Reece Whitaker; and his great-grandchildren Blaine, Garrett, Blakely, Adlynn, Kaylee, Brantley, Annabella, Avery, Greyson and Daxton, as well as his brother Dennis (Vivian) Shannon, sister Ruth Ann (Steve) Wilson and sister-in-law Phyllis Shannon.

In lieu of flowers, please support the healthcare workers in your community and follow CDC guidelines to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Condolences can be made at [hodappfuneralhome.com](http://hodappfuneralhome.com).

## Gloria Thrasher



Gloria Mae Thrasher, beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, was called home to God on Dec. 26, 2020 at the age of 82. The Christmas holiday spirit was always a part of her life since she was born—in Christmas, Ariz. nonetheless. All who knew her understood her to be quick-witted and sharp-tongued, and to have an un-failing memory. Her faith remained constant and true. You could often find her deep in prayer each day. There was no one she loved more than her family. Her house is filled with pictures of her cherished loved ones.

She was also known for her talented cooking skills. Her tamales and potato salad were always a crowd favorite. Her beloved recipes were passed down to her children and grandchildren she left behind. She enjoyed the simple things in life - the quiet peace of

the country, sun-brewed tea and a good muumuu.

A longtime resident of Wheatfields, she is survived by her husband Stanley Thrasher; two siblings, Martha Clark and Robert Buzan Jr.; her children Michael Ornelas (Bobbi), Margaret Shannon (Kasai) and Roberta Ornelas (Leonard); and her 18 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her father Robert Buzan Sr., her mother Angela Ruiz Buzan and her two sons Manuel Ornelas and Frank Ornelas Jr.

# Obituaries

## Mario Olivarez



New Mexico, Colorado, Germany, Canada, Paris and Mexico. In July of 2020 he crossed off a bucket list dream trip to Montana and Yellowstone Park with his brother and son. This was his last trip, but it was one he had always wanted to make.

Mario was also a rockhound, preferably turquoise, and a woodhound - always cutting wood to sell or just to give to his family, teaching the grandkids the difference between juniper and oak. Somewhere in between all his accomplishments he found time to coach baseball for the Globe Tigers baseball team as the outfield coach. He also coached Babe Ruth and Pinal Mountain Little League for his great-grandkids. He loved being around the field and that is where he earned his nickname Coach O. He was not just a coach and if you gave him your time, he was always ready to talk sports, ask how you had been and give you advice. You had to have time - it was not going to be a short talk. When he thought he was done coaching, his grandkids and great-grandkids

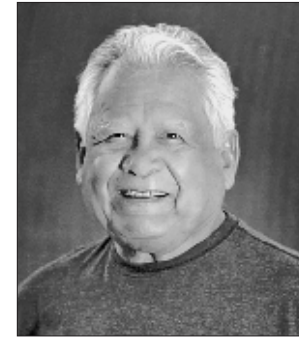
started playing sports and he was happy to be able to watch them and give them pointers to improve their game, calling them over to the fence to let them know what they needed to work on. He loved coaching.

He will be missed so much by family and friends who loved him dearly. Mario is survived by his wife of 31 years Barbara Vigil Olivarez; his four children Robert (Kathleen) Olivarez of Crawford, Texas, Marlene (Ruben) Medina of Gilbert, Arizona, Danne (Rindy) Quiroz Sr. and Doreen (Mike) Badilla of Globe, Arizona; 14 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren; his brothers Marcelino Jr. (Nicki) and Gilbert (Alicia) Olivarez of Globe; his sister Delia (John) Gravina of Tucson, Arizona; and his brother-in-law Fred Estrella of Phoenix, Arizona and sister-in-law Annie Tarango of Globe.

He is preceded in death by his parents Marcelino Sr. and Lillie Tarango Olivarez; sisters Irene Estrella, Barbara Garcia and Linda Delgado; brother Richie Tarango; and grandchildren Chad Quiroz and Lilly Dalas.

Services were held on Thursday, Jan. 7, 2021 at Bulman Miles Funeral Service Globe, and also on Friday, Jan. 8 at Holy Angels Parish Hall with Rosary and Mass of Christian Burial, followed by interment with military honors at Globe City Cemetery.

## Rene Velasco



Rene Velasco was born on Sept. 13, 1946 to Artemisa Guerrero and Juan Velasco in Douglas, Ariz.

Survivors include his wife Yolanda (Yoli) Velasco; daughters Veronica Brown, Monica Velasco, Annalinda Velasco and Reyna Peery (Justin); sisters Eva Warden, Marvella Gallardo (Gary), Bettina Amado and Suzie Velasco; brothers Juan Velasco, Ruben Velasco (Linda), Mario Velasco (Donna), Ernie Velasco (Ginger) and Timmy Velasco (Sharon).

Rene has 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren as well as numer-

ous nieces, nephews and extended family. Rene was preceded in death by his father Juan Velasco, his mother Artemisa (Mitcha), his twin brother David, his son John Velasco, brother Timmy Velasco and sister Susie Velasco and his stepfather Antonio Guerrero.

## Joseph Crago



Joseph Crago, born Oct. 18, 1928 in Orient, Pennsylvania, went to be with our Lord and our wonderful daughter Angelina, who passed away in June 2020, on Monday, Jan. 4, 2021.

His family moved to Coshocton, Ohio, where he grew up on a farm. Joe moved to Arizona in 1960. He started as a policeman in Mammoth, then went on to be a deputy sheriff in San Manuel. He moved to Globe and went to work at Inspiration Copper Co. in security. He worked for Cyprus as a haulpak driver. He was very active in the VFW for 50 years, and served as commander for VFW Post 1704 for 16 years.

Joe finally retired in 1990 and started his wood-working hobby. He was

very proud of his hope chests he built, his gun cabinets and wishing wells for the yard. He was a collector of old clocks. He loved country music and enjoyed dancing. He enjoyed hunting with his son Mark.

Joe leaves behind his loving wife of 45 years, Margaret; daughters Penny Durant (Jim) of Elko, Nev., Vickie Crago of Gilbert, Ariz. and Stacey Lummus

Rene enjoyed dancing with his wife of 56 years Yoli, his high school sweetheart. They twirled around the dance floor every opportunity they had. Rene and Yoli also loved giving back to the community. They loved his Harley Davidson and riding with the Independent Riders, especially at Christmas. Rene will be missed by his large family and his huge circle of friends.

Vaya con dios to a loving husband, compassionate father and friend to all.

Assisting the family; Lamont Mortuary of Globe.

(Johnny) of Oracle, Ariz.; sons Travis Bellotti of Independence, Mo. and Mark Channell (Gina) of Young, Ariz.; sisters Mary Wintink and Geraldine Maples of Coshocton, Ohio; 11 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Joe is preceded in death by his father and mother, his daughter Angie, his grandson Eric Castaneda and his sister Elizabeth Price.

Memorial services will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2021 at 10 a.m. at Lamont Mortuary Chapel in Globe, Ariz.

Assisting the family; Lamont Mortuary of Globe.

# Obituaries

## Jesse Craigmyle



Jessie Ellaine Craigmyle (Jones), 45, of Globe, Ariz. was born on Sept. 2, 1975 and passed away on Dec. 17, 2020 at her home in Globe.

She went to school at Miami High School where she graduated in 1994. She worked at Dave's Fast Stop in Globe, where she met everyone with a smile. She loved spending time with her family and friends. She had a heart of gold and would always be there for those she loved. She adored her two children and her niece and nephews. She had a great sense of humor and loved to make people laugh.

She was preceded in death by her father, Carol Wayne "Bear" Jones.

Jessie is survived by her husband William John Craigmyle Jr., her daughter Lillyanna Rochelle Craigmyle and son Thomas Wayne Craigmyle. She is also survived by her mother, Andrea Jean Milano of Globe, and her sister Amie Rochelle Jones of Clifton, Ariz. She is also

survived by her niece and nephews, Destiney Elaine Dawson (Aaron Jerome), Jeffery Scott Jones, Hunter Mathew Jones and Christian Tayler Jones.

A memorial service will be held at Besh Ba Gowah Park on Jan. 16, 2021 between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. We will share stories and honor Jessie's memory. Please feel free to drive by if you would like to but don't want to be around others. If you would like to be there, we ask that masks are worn, and social distancing practiced. A Zoom meeting will be set up for those out of town. If you have any questions or would like the link, please email Amie at [amiejones734@gmail.com](mailto:amiejones734@gmail.com).

## Candise Plant



Candise Marie Plant, age 28, of Miami, passed away on Jan. 5, 2021. Candise was born on Dec. 24, 1992 in Victoria, Tx. to her loving parents Kimberly Hicks and Gary Plant. Candise was raised in Miami and graduated from Liberty High School. She was always spending time with her daughter Taylor and her nieces and nephews. She enjoyed going to the casino, the lake, and camping, and enjoyed being around family and friends.

Candise was preceded in death by her father Gary

Plant, maternal grandmother Velma (Jim) Goss, grandfather Bud Reynolds and paternal grandmother Martha Plant. She is survived by her mother Kimberly Hicks and stepdad Justin Hicks; daughter Tay-

lor Hicks; sisters Jessica Blaine (Joshua Blaine) and Misty Sunderland (Brice Sunderland); and grandfather Leon Plant. Candise also had many nieces, nephews, aunts, and uncles.

Services will be held on Saturday, Jan. 16, 2021 at Bulman Miles Funeral Services Globe. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. and Celebration of Life at noon.

The family was assisted by Bulman Miles Funeral Services Globe. Guestbook can be signed at [www.BulmanMiles.com](http://www.BulmanMiles.com).

Frances B. Gonzales, 81, of Claypool, peacefully passed away Thursday, Dec. 31, 2020. Frances was born in Rowe, NM to Thomas and Catalina Benavidez. Her family moved to Jerome, Ariz. when she was about 3 years old. She had many good memories of Jerome, but the shutting down of the mines drove her family on to Miami, Ariz. where she attended junior high and high school, graduating with the MHS Class of 1957.

Frances worked at La Paloma Café where she met her future husband, Vicente R. Gonzales. His guitar playing and her beautiful voice made for a long and lasting life together, always filled with music. Their gift also brought much happiness and comfort at family gatherings, weddings, funerals, baptisms, and the annual "Posadas" at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church was a highlight every Christmas.

Frances and Vicente were blessed with six children: Trinidad (Paula) of Globe, Vincent Deano (Karen) of Arvada, CO, Timothy of Claypool, Reuben of Globe, Evelyn Vargas (Ken) of Miami, and P. Michele "Mitch" Hernandez (Ray) of Flagstaff. After raising her family, she took a job at Milly's Flower Shop in Miami where she learned the art of designing flowers. Her natural artistic ability and love for her profession made each of her designs unique and from her heart.

Fran eventually opened her own flower shop and called it, Fran's Flowers. For

## Frances Gonzales



22 years she made countless arrangements for weddings, proms, graduations, birthdays, and funerals; recruiting all her family members to help, with her husband as the top delivery boy.

Fran loved her brothers and sisters very much, caring for many of them when they were little and helping each of them in any way she could. She made time for her children and grandchildren. She was the biggest fan at tennis matches, baseball, basketball, softball, and volleyball games. She attended graduations, weddings, birthdays, and anniversaries. In good health or bad, she pushed herself to always be there for her family.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Vicente R. Gonzales; her parents Thomas and Catalina, siblings Phillip, Thomas, Eddie, Angel, and Dora Benavidez. Left behind are sisters Molly Ornelas (Manuel) of Miami, Yolanda Sanchez of Globe; brothers Joe of Springerville, Alex "Lico" (Cynthia) of Prescott Valley, and Pat of Alpine.

"Granny Franny," as she was lovingly called by her 13 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and countless others, has left such

an impact in the hearts and lives of all who knew her. We will miss the Christmas caroling, your homemade soup, trips to the casino and your tomato sauce can, the "Lucille Ball" adventures, but we will especially miss your beautiful voice, your loving smile, your gentle touch, your courage, and your passion and enthusiasm for life. Fly like a hummingbird, "Mom," and find that special dwelling place created by God just for you.

Viewing will be open to all, mask/social distancing is required, at Lamont Mortuary on Jan. 15 from 6 - 8 p.m.

Rosary will be at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church on Jan. 16 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial from 10-11 a.m. Only her children are able to attend due to restrictions.

Graveside Services open to all to celebrate her life with music and goodbyes following the church services, about 11:30. Masks/Social distancing required at Pinal Cemetery. Corner of Golden Hill and Main Street in Central Heights. Burial on the North-West side of the cemetery.

### 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](mailto:obits@silverbelt.com), or in person at 298 N Pine Street in Globe.

For more information, call the office at 928-425-7121.



# Community

## Gila County: Recycling's over if dumping doesn't stop

The old saying that “a few bad apples will spoil the whole barrel” applies to local recycling. Gila County is poised to remove the last two paper and plastic recycling roll-off bins at Russell Gulch Landfill if careless people continue to contaminate loads of recyclables by thoughtlessly tossing household trash, diapers, clothes and other non-recyclable items into the big blue bins. Gila County Public Works has been a leader in local recycling for more than two decades, but was forced to remove all but those two final bins a year ago - and that's about to end, too. “We still truly want to offer recycling as an option for local residents who are willing to bring their paper and acceptable plastics to the landfills in Globe and Payson,” said Public Works Landfill and Recycling Manager Kenny Keith. “And, for now, bins remain at each landfill - but the roll-offs will be removed by the second or third week of January if people don't stop dumping garbage, cat litter and unrecyclable trash into the bins. Trash and unrecyclable items contaminate the entire load, consigning it to the landfill. It's sad to say, but we have reached the point of installing video surveillance - and maybe even posting photos on social media.” What's recyclable for now, while the bins remain in place? Newspaper, magazines, mixed paper and postal mail in the bin marked for paper (no cardboard, no pizza boxes, no books). Empty drink bottles and containers

marked #1 and #2 in the bins for plastics. Yes, it's that simple. Those are the only items Gila County can still recycle in bulk by trucking roll-offs to a Scottsdale recycling center that still accepts them.

“Most people who care enough to recycle know this: just because it's made of plastic doesn't mean it's recyclable,” said Keith. “Our bin for plastics is specifically for drink and juice bottles, but we're forced to landfill the entire roll-off when unacceptable items people dump include stuff like garden hoses, shower curtains, kids' toys, kiddie pools and swing sets. None of those are recyclable, and tossing them into our bin pollutes the entire

### COMMON RECYCLING CONTAMINANTS



roll-off.”

Due to a lack of domestic markets for recycled products here in the U.S.A., recycling has more “don'ts” than “dos.”

For example: Don't recycle plastic shopping bags in the plastic bin, and don't dump bags with your recyclable plastic bottles or paper. If you haul bags filled with recyclables, empty the contents directly into the big blue bin and save your bag to use it again. Plastic bags are known as “tanglers” at the recycling center because

they wrap around and damage equipment, endangering recycling center workers and shutting down entire recycling centers. Reuse plastic bags whenever possible; dispose of them along with regular household garbage when their time is up.

#### More Don'ts

- No drink cups with wax or plastic coatings*
- No diapers*
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## Faith

By Dr. Dan Morton

Contributor

When my children came along I was a proud father and at times needed instruction in caring for each one of them. They don't come with an instruction book and those that were published were not applicable to my children. Even though some made the Best Sellers list, they didn't know my kids like I did. Under all of this was a foundation built in years prior and at times hidden by weeds. That was faith. I knew the word and had studied its application in Sunday School, but now I was living it.

When my son and daughter were becoming teenagers, I found that I could no longer help them with the "new math" or

some of the other subjects. It was then that I wished my Dad and Mom were still around to ask how they made it through those years with my brother and me.

Just as we sing a lullaby to a baby to calm them down, sometimes the parents need some musical interlude as well. One hymn, written by Frederick W. Faber, has wisdom for struggling parents: "Faith of Our Fathers: "And through the truth that comes from God, mankind shall then indeed be free." I would hum a line or two and then look heavenward and quietly speak to my parents and say, "now I know what you were trying to teach me. If only I had listened."

Faith is the mortar that holds families together.

## The Importance of Right Thinking

The mind is the leader or forerunner of all actions. The steps we take each day are a direct result of the thoughts we allow ourselves to think.

If we have a negative mind, we will have a negative life. On the other hand, if we renew our mind according to God's Word, we will experience "the good and acceptable and perfect will of God" for our lives (Romans 12:2 AMPC).

So many people's struggles are rooted in wrong thinking patterns. Negative thinking can actually cause them to create the problems they experience in their lives. Thankfully though, we don't have to live cap-

tive to those thoughts. We can choose to line our thoughts up with the Word of God.

The mind is a battlefield. Decide to resist destructive, negative thinking and dwell on godly thoughts for your life instead. The more you change your mind for the better, the more your life will also change for the better.

Prayer Starter: Father, I am thankful I don't have to live as a captive to my thoughts. With Your help, I can change my negative thoughts that are affecting my life and I can win the battle In Jesus' name, amen.

## Worship

# We don't have a political problem, we have a sin problem

By PASTOR NICK JONES  
Maranatha Baptist Church

Just when we started getting excited for a new year, for a new beginning, a chance to escape the craziness of 2020, a group of people stormed the U.S. Capitol building as Congress worked to finalize the results of the presidential election. However you may feel about the election results, you have to admit that the actions that took place on Jan. 6 were shocking. "Is this really happening? But this is America!" Similar thoughts swirled in the minds of many people as we watched the footage from Washington.

At the same time, the sad fact of the matter is that this kind of behavior is becoming more and more prevalent throughout our country. I'm sure we all remember the recent riots that took place in major cities throughout the U.S. Without commenting on the reasons behind the events of last summer, we should be able to recognize that much of what took place as "protest" was indeed evil, unlawful conduct. What has happened to the United States of America? Perhaps Tom Hanks' memorable line is appropriate: "Houston, we have a problem."

Now, while it may be evident that we are facing major problems, there is great disagreement over what exactly the problems are and how they should be resolved. From my under-

standing, it seems like we, as a collective, believe that our major problem is political. That is to say, if we could fix our broken political system, get the right people in office, and pass the right kind of legislation, then everything in our country would be just peachy. This appears to be the basic view of those on either side of the political divide, especially those who are on the extreme right or left.

This is a great test of epistemology. This may be a word you are unfamiliar with, but the concept is simple enough. Epistemology is the theory and study of knowledge. One of the major questions in epistemology is, "How do you know what you know?" In other words, "What is the standard for your belief?" Children intuitively practice epistemology in its basic form by simply asking "why" questions.

So if we as a nation are going to say that our main issue in America is political, I have to ask, "Why do we believe this?" Sure, politics are front and center of everything these days. You cannot turn on the television or open up a social media app without being bombarded with political news. Yet does that give us enough evidence to suggest that political change would solve our current problems?

Here's the rub. We can-



not even find agreement on how to fix our politics. More and more, our major political parties move further away from one another, polarizing their views and their constituents. Not only is there major disagreement, but the way the disagreement is espoused is utterly repugnant. Gone are the days when one could respect another person from a differing view and political party. Consider the outrage that occurred after a friendly hug between Lindsey Graham (Republican) and Dianne Feinstein (Democrat) after a committee hearing. Instead of being seen as a gesture of kindness and respect, many viewed this as political heresy.

Friends, our core issue, the root and heart of the matter, is not primarily political but spiritual. That is, we don't have a political problem, we have

a sin problem. The political mess we find ourselves in is merely a symptom of sin-stained hearts, hearts that are in rebellion against their Creator. It is the sin problem that causes people to break into the Capitol building, to loot businesses, to vandalize property. It is the sin problem that causes people to govern selfishly, to promote ideologies of hate, to spread unfounded lies and rumors. So the answer to our problem will never be found in politics but in what God has done to remedy our sin problem.

What is my epistemological standard? Of course, as a Christian, I must insist that my standard is God's Word, the Bible. It is only through the infallible, unchanging revelation of God in His Word that human beings can truly understand this world and the mess we constantly find ourselves in. Our very minds are af-

fectured by sin, which skews our view of reality, until God steps in and opens the eyes of our heart. The Apostle Paul wrote his final letter to Timothy reminding him that "all Scripture is breathed out by God" (2 Timothy 3:16), that the words that we have in the Bible are truly the words of God. The human writers, as they pen these words, are only writing as they are permitted and moved by the Spirit of God. Again, Paul in the book of Romans writes, "for whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope (Romans 15:4)." So when the Bible speaks, God speaks.

What then does the Bible say about sin? The Bible begins by explaining how man was created very good by God, but man fell into a

state of sin. The Bible clearly states that sin is lawlessness (1 John 3:4). Therefore, any failure on the part of man to uphold or conform to any part of God's law, whether in thought, word, or deed, is sin. Sin is mankind's attempt to be his own god. Sin is loving ourselves and our evil desires above God (Romans 1:25). Does any of this sound familiar? It should, because this is what brings about all the wickedness and evil we see in this world.

You don't have to believe me, that is your prerogative as a citizen of the United States (at least as of now), but I would encourage you to consider what I say. True change doesn't come because of force or argument, but because one has a change of heart. If sin is the real problem, as I believe it is, then the only way to change is by the heart-changing power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Sin is our problem and Christ is our solution. So I will not simply complain about politics and all of the other issues that are outside of my control. Rather, I intend to spend my time pointing people to our true need. What will you do?

*Missed an article? Read them online at [www.MBC-Globe.org/blog](http://www.MBC-Globe.org/blog).*

## Community

### Red Cross teams with NFL to urge blood, plasma donation for National Blood Donor Month

The American Red Cross and National Football League are teaming up this January, during National Blood Donor Month, to urge individuals – especially those who have recovered from Covid-19 – to give blood and to help tackle the national convalescent plasma shortage. Right now, more donors are needed to help hospital patients.

During this critical time, the Red Cross and NFL are thrilled to offer all who come to donate an opportunity to receive a special thank you. Those who come to donate blood or platelets this Janu-

ary will be automatically entered to win two tickets to next year's Super Bowl LVI in Los Angeles. In addition, those who come to give from Jan. 1-20 will be automatically entered to win the Big Game at Home package for an awesome viewing experience safely at home, with a 65-inch television and a \$500 gift card to put toward food and fun.

Individuals can schedule an appointment to give blood today with the American Red Cross by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, calling 1-800-RED-

CROSS or activating the Blood Scheduling Skill for Amazon Alexa.

"Blood and plasma donors who have recovered from Covid-19 may have the power to help critically ill patients currently battling the virus," said Dr. Erin Goodhue, Red Cross medical director of clinical services. "With hospital distributions for convalescent plasma increasing about 250 percent since October, these generous donations are vital in helping to save lives throughout the winter – a time that is often challenging to collect enough blood

products for those in need."

As Covid-19 cases have risen across the U.S., so has the need for convalescent plasma – leading to a shortage of this potentially life-saving blood product. Like special teams units on the football field, Covid-19 survivors have a unique ability to make a game-changing difference in the lives of Covid patients. Individuals who have recovered from the virus may have antibodies in their plasma that could provide a patient's immune system the boost it needs.

**How those recovered from Covid-19 can help**

There are two ways Covid-19 survivors can help; through a convalescent plasma donation or by simply giving whole blood. Plasma from whole blood donations that test positive for Covid-19 antibodies may be used to help Covid patients. Health emergencies don't pause for holidays, game days or a pandemic; blood is needed every two seconds in the U.S. to help patients battling injury and illness.

**Blood donation safety precautions**

To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, individuals who do

not feel well or believe they may be ill with Covid-19 should postpone their donation.

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions – including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask.

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## Community

### Tribal Court update

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Front entrance doors will remain locked; public is welcomed to call 928-475-1701/1702 prior to coming to the Tribal Court or can call while at the door or knock. Bailiff/Front desk/Probation Check-In Clerk will assist.

Limited capacity in the lobby area of five or less. Limited capacity in all courtrooms.

Hearings to be done mostly by Zoom and/or in-person if necessary (limiting to parties only and witnesses/some public). Zoom information will be provided by email or telephone call. As of this week all 21 employees have returned to the building and are working a full 40-hour week. Civil Court (Probates, Civils, Domestic Rela-

tions/Divorce/Child Custody/support, Guardianship etc.) is beginning the week of Jan. 19.

Criminal Court has been ongoing for inmate-related hearings; Criminal Court non-in custody/non-inmate hearings begin the week of Jan. 19.

Juvenile Court has been ongoing excluding non-emergency hearings but review is in process of all files and scheduled hearings for those matters is to be determined. Orders of Protections have been filed and set immediately and will continue to be.

As director I may be contacted by my cell/direct work line or work email from other department directors if needed; otherwise all court related inquiries can be done by making a phone call to the Tribal Court or by email to the Tribal Court employee who should all be in the email directory and phone directory.

### Drive thru Covid-19 vaccines at SCCHS

San Carlos Apache Healthcare Corporation will be hosting a drive-through Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic on Friday, Jan. 15 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the San Carlos High School in Peridot.

To be eligible you must be a San Carlos Apache Tribe member/community member and/or employed by the San Carlos Apache Tribe or the San Carlos Apache Healthcare Corporation.

Eligible groups are Phase 1A, Phase 1B Part 1, Phase 1B Part 2, Phase 1C Part 1 and newly added Phase 1C Part 2.

#### Phase 1A

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Apache Healthcare Corporation - San Carlos Apache Tribe First Responders - Individuals affiliated with the Alternative Care Site

#### Phase 1B

Part 1 - Essential NonHealthcare Personnel - Selected tribal departments - Detention officers - Game & Fish - Grocery stores & food preparers - School staff, & child care workers.

Part 2: -Elders 75 years of age and older. A team member will call you if you are in this category and vaccines are available

#### Phase 1C



Courtesy photo  
San Carlos Chairman Terry Rambler, received a Covid-19 vaccine in December.

Part 1 - Elders 65-75: There has been a team designated to call elders that fall within this category. This will only occur if there is vaccines available

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## Create a chocolate charcuterie board

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- chocolate truffles
- chocolate-covered pretzels
- melted chocolate fondue and assorted dippers
- Classic chocolate candies
- Fudge squares
- Chocolate nut rolls
- Graham crackers or butter cookies
- chocolate-dipped fruits
- chocolate bark
- Assorted nuts (almonds and cashews)
- Homemade turtle candy
- Dried fruits, such as figs and dates

Choose an attractive wood board large enough to hold all of the desserts. Arrange the chocolates and other foods. Use fresh berries or mint leaves to fill in any gaps.

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to gifting.  
Each number corresponds to a letter.  
(Hint: 16 = E)

**A. 23 9 16 13 16 8 25**  
Clue: A gift

**B. 6 9 11 23 23 16 10**  
Clue: Covered in paper

**C. 16 2 16 8 25**  
Clue: An occurrence

**D. 25 22 24 14 5 22 25 20 14 4**  
Clue: Showing consideration

Answers: A: present B: wrapped C: event D: thoughtful

## WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to gifts.

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Answer: Ribbons

## Guess Who?

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

# Community

## Gila County Science Fair: You be the judge!

You don't have to be a rocket scientist to volunteer as a judge for the annual science fair sponsored by the Gila County School Superintendent's Office - for that matter you're not required to be expert in biochemistry, math, medicine, physics or astronomy either. So, what is required? Just ask Ryan Brossart, who volunteered as a judge last year: "I look forward to being a part of the science fair again this year, I was impressed with how well-organized it was, the large variety of categories available, and the number of projects and presentations. I'm a big advocate for education, curiosity, and creativity and last year's science fair was a great melting pot of all three. Encouraging our youth to seek out opportunities to develop their education, curiosity, and creativity in a fun environment is so important to shaping future generations. Aside from viewing the projects that I was assigned to judge, one of my favorite parts was walking around and seeing all the other entries. Some of the questions asked and the presentations were amazing."

Dr. Ryan Brossart is a Doctor of Physical Therapy at Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center, and now's the time to sign up as a volunteer judge and join him. Gila County School Superintendent Roy Sandoval and his staff this month announced their annual invitation to recruit and assign judges ahead of time to prepare for the March 4 regional science fair. There isn't much that's required of volunteers prior to the event. In past years the day began with a complimentary breakfast and brief orientation for the judges, before official judging of projects began around 8 a.m., continuing 'til noon.

*Interested in helping judge the Gila County Science Fair, or questions about the March 4 event? Call Vanessa Barajas at the Gila County Schools Superintendents Office (928) 402-8788 or email [vbarajas@gilacountyaz.gov](mailto:vbarajas@gilacountyaz.gov)*

"It is an awesome experience and one that I would just recommend you have to experience for yourself," said Brossart. "I enjoyed getting to meet and talk with

young members of the community about what they learned and why they chose to do their specific project. The categories are so spread out that I think every judge would be able to select a category that they are, at least somewhat, familiar with; however, I don't think that a science background is needed. You are given instructions on judging criteria and the main focus is to listen to the presenter about what they asked and what they learned from their experiment. The focus is not to interrogate and refute their project with 'your expertise' in the area."

Science Fair projects are judged based on age, division, and subcategory. First place winners in each division and category from participating schools/districts are eligible to compete in the regional science fair. First-place winners of Gila County's event are eligible to compete at the State Science and Engineering Fair. Judges are asked to evaluate all age divisions within their categories. Judges will receive judging forms that clearly inform them (by color and label) of a project's age division. Senior Division Categories include Animal Science, Behavioral & Social Science, BioChemistry, Biomedical and Health Sciences, Cellular & Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Computational Biology & Bioinformatics, Earth and Environmental Science, Embedded Systems; Translational Medical Sciences, Engineering Mechanics, and 'Energy: Sustainable Materials and Design.' Elementary & Junior Divisions Categories include Animal Sciences, Plant Sciences, Behavioral & Social Science, Cellular & Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth and Planetary Science, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Medicine & Health Sciences, Physics & Astronomy, Environmental Engineering, Materials Science, Mathematics, Microbiology, Physics & Astronomy, Plant Sciences, Robotics and Intelligent Machines, System Software. Volunteers interested in helping judge the Gila County Science Fair, or anyone with questions, are welcome to call Vanessa Barajas at the Gila County School Superintendent's Office 928-402-8788 or email [vbarajas@gilacountyaz.gov](mailto:vbarajas@gilacountyaz.gov).



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