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—David Brinklev

### **Superior Police Report**

Items are given to The Superior Sun by the Superior Police **Department and reflect** information available at the time the report is compiled. Activity listed Dec. 11-Dec. 24. Dec. 11

Joseph G. Hernandez, 35, Superior, on the report of unwanted person in the 400 block of Valentine St., was charged with failure to obey court order and criminal damage. He was

#### **Public Notice**

PUDILC INOUCE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MEETING BY THE PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT 9:30 A.M. ON THE 25th DAY OF JANUARY 2023, AT THE PINAL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX, IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING ROOM, 135 N. PINAL STREET, FLORENCE, ARIZONA, TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA.

A SPECIAL OSE FERMIN IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA. SUP-007-22 - PUBLIC HEARING/ ACTION: Elephant Corporation, owner, Copper Cactus Resorts LLC, applicant/ lessee, and lplan Consulting/Greg Davis, agent, requesting approval of a Special Use Permit to operate a bed and breakfast plus twenty (20) camp sites, on a 20± acre site comprised of two parcels in the GR (General Rural) Zone, situated in a portion of Section 24, Township 1 South, Range 10 East of the G.R.B.& M., Pinal County, Arizona, Tax Parcels 104540080 & 10454008E (legal on file), located about 6 miles northeast of the intersection of Highway 60 with of the intersection of Highway 60 with Highway 79 and about 2.5 miles north of Highway /9 and about 2-3 milles not values, the unincorporated area of Queen Valley. ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER MAY APPEAR AND SPEAK AT THE PUBLIC HEARING AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE DESIGNATED ADD/F

ABOVE ABOVE. DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THIS CASE CAN BE FOUND ONLINE ON THE NOTICE OF HEARING PAGE AT: http://pinalcountyac.gov/ CommunityDevelopmenUPlanning/

number and property tax parcel number (Print or type) 3) A brief statement of reasons for supporting or opposing the request 4) Whether or not you wish to appear and be heard at the hearing WRITTEN STATEMENTS MUST BE FILED WITH: PINAL COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PO BOX 2973 (85 N FLORENCE ST) FLORENCE, AZ 85132 NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM ON JANUARY 13th, 2023. Contact for this matter: Evan Evangelopoulos, e-mail address: evan.

Evangelopoulos, e-mail address: evan evangelopoulos@pinal.gov Phone# (520) 866-6642, Fax: (520) 866-6435 SUN Legal 1/4/23

#### transported and booked Superior, was charged with

into the Pinal County Jail in Florence. Dec. 12 Road rage was reported in the area of US Highway 60. Dec. 13

60.

#### An accident without

Dec. 14

County Jail.

Highway 60 Dec. 18

Dec. 19

of Neary Ave.

of Neary Ave.

Dec. 20

Dec. 16

injuries was reported in the

Superior, was charged with

violation of court order in

the 200 block of Magma

Ave. He was transported

and booked into the Pinal

zero block of Pinal Ave.

Accident non-injury

of Panther Dr. and US

was reported in the area

Violation of court order

was reported in the 1000

Criminal damage was

reported in the zero block

Attempted break in was

Theft was reported in the

Daniel R. Alvarado, 57,

reported in the 300 block

400 block of Main St.

block of Western Ave.

Theft was reported in the

Burglary was reported in

the zero block of Pinal Ave.

800 block of US Highway

Gabriel A. Robles,

Pages/Noticeoff-learing.aspx# DATED THIS 287H DAY OF DECEMBER 2022, by Pinal County Community Development Dept. By: /s/ Brent Billingsley, Community Development

Billingsley, Community Development Director TO QUALIFY FOR FURTHER NOTIFICATION IN THIS LAND USE MATTER YOU MUST FILE WITH THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT A WRITTEN STATEMENT OF SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION TO THE SUBJECT APPLICATION. YOUR STATEMENT MUST CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: 1) Planning Case Number (see above) 2) Your name, address, telephone number and property tax parcel number (Print or type)

burglary in the third degree in the 400 block of Stone Ave. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail.

#### Dec. 22

Theft was reported in the 500 block of Porphyry St. Explosives report made in the 600 block of Hill St. Dec. 24

Burglary was reported in the 200 block of Sunset Dr.

Julie L. Hansen, 46, Superior, was arrested on three Superior warrants in the 1000 block area of US Highway 60. She was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail in Florence.

Criminal damage was reported in the 200 block of Lobb Ave.

Dec. 11-17 Calls not listed include traffic (57), field interview (4), medical assist (2), agency assist (4), domestic (1), information (1), trespassing (2), animal problem (1), welfare check (2), motorist assist (1), unknown emergency (1), disorderly conduct (1), abandoned vehicle (1), attempt to locate (1) and reckless driving (1). Dec. 18-24 Calls not listed include parking

violation (1), traffic (35), agency assist (5), alarm (2), attempt to locate (3), information (4), welfare



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### Around the world in 180 days

Phileas Fogg went Around the World in 80 Days in the classic 1956 movie. But Fogg was a fictional character and so he didn't make it into the Guinness Book of World Records, recalls the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. But, recently, Laura Massey-Pugh and Stevie Massey circumnavigated the world in 180 days on a tandem bicycle and won Guinness' official recognition for their 18,000 mile triumph. It was the first time that the record keepers awarded recognition for the event to a male-female tandem team. A women's team holds the record for their event, having biked the world in 263 days, 8 hours and 7 minutes; a men's team did it in 281 days, 22 hours and 20 minutes.

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Mammoth Carlos Gonzalez 520-487-2219

Domingo: Escuela Dominical 10-10:45 a.m. Servicio de Alabanza 11 a.m. Lunes: Servicio de Oracion 6:30 p.m. Miercoles: Estudio Biblico 6:30 p.m.

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103 W. Galiuro, Mammoth

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### on Church of Jesus Christ

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520-689-2631

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2425 El Paseo Oracle

### **Richard Ferris** 520-818-6554

Sunday Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.

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11 Church Ave., Superior

Fr. Peter Nwachukwu 520-689-2250

Weekday Mass Tues.-Fri. 8 a.m. Saturday 5 p.m. • Sunday 9 & 11 a.m. Confession: Sat. 4-4:45 p.m. or by req. www.stfrancissuperior.org

To be included in the weekly church listing, please call 520-363-5554 or 520-385-2266.

#### First Baptist Church 1st & Nichols, San Manuel Pastor Kevin Duncan

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#### Set Free Church

302 Danbury, Kearny

Pastor Daniel Sostre 480-645-7687 Sunday Service 10 a.m. Followed by Fellowship Luncheon Food Boxes Upon Request 760-238-0474

Sinners Welcome

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520-344-4417 Saturday Worship 9 a.m. A House of Prayer, Healing & Salvation

A House of Prayer, Healing & Salvation www.pathwayofhope.net pastorkaren@pathwayofhope.net

#### **Superior Harvest Church**

Hill St. & Stone Ave., Superior

#### Pastor Albert M. Rodriguez 480-354-4499 H 480-329-3647 C

Sunday Morning Service 10 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 5 p.m. Victory in Jesus

# Superior's 2022

fter what seemed like an ongoing roller coaster of COVID protocols, postponements and changes, 2022 seemed to be the year of the now new normal.

Students returned to school and all of the annual events such as homecoming and graduations, returned as many remembered. The Copper Helmet, the long time football rivalry



Sue Anderson

returned to Superior from the Ray Bearcats and the Girls Softball Team won the 1A State Championship, beating fellow Copper Corridor team the San Manuel Lady Miners. Town events such as Fourth of July, Trunk or Treat, Magma Royale and all of the festivals returned with great enthusiasm. New events sprang up with the International Female **Riders Day, Southwest** Helicopter Rodeo, and the Adelante Juntos group hosting several tardeadas and cultural events. Almost every weekend of the year seemed busy when adding in all of the activities and youth summer camps at the Boyce Thompson Arboretum.

At the *Superior Sun*, we continued to follow all of the community activities while still focusing on showcasing many local businesses and organizations. 2022



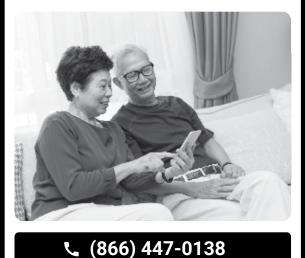
The Copper Helmet is returned to Superior after the Panthers beat the Bearcats during the annual game. Debbie Torres | Sun

saw many new businesses open and some expand. Ribbon cuttings became an almost monthly event with all of these expansions and openings. The Superior Chamber of Commerce hired its first paid Executive Director, Shayna Beasley. Long time Chamber President Sue Anderson retired as Chamber President and she and her late husband were recognized for their efforts by the naming the meeting room at the Chamber Building "The Anderson Room"

The Town of Superior had many important milestones as they celebrated the purchase of the original Superior High School and announced that the Town had received \$4.25 million in Congressionally Appropriated Funds to assist with both the redevelopment of the high school into a multigen center and the water restoration to Queen Creek. Both projects were long time goals and milestones for the Town. The Town also swore in incumbent elected officials Mayor Mila Besich, Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo and Councilmember Gilbert Aguilar for additional four-year terms. Amy Byrd who ran was a write-in candidate was also sworn in to fill the seat vacated by former Councilmember Stephen Estatico. Elections were a hot topic as the election of the

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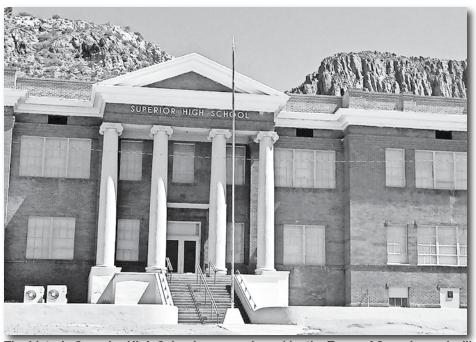






## Year in Review

Superior Mayor and Town Council were affected by serious ballot problems at Pinal County. These countywide issues forced the resignation of the Pinal County Elections Director and major restructuring of the elections departments at Pinal County. The Pinal County Regional Transportation Tax was not



The historic Superior High School was purchased by the Town of Superior and will become the new multi-gen center.

approved by the voters of the county.

Supporters of Resolution Copper continued to advocate for the long awaited Final **Environmental Impact** Statement to be released, and as the year comes to an end, it does not appear the Final Record of Decision will be released in 2022. During the year, Rep. Raul Grijalva continued to try and get his Save Oak Flats bill approved Congress. During the Summer of 2022, the 9th Circuit Court had ruled in favor of Resolution Copper that the project did not impact religious freedoms of the San Carlos Apache Tribe. That ruling was reversed in November and the case is expected to be heard by 11 of the 9th Circuit Judges in January.

Local residents business and clubs were recognized throughout the year. Rebuild Superior honored Dennis Van Gorp (posthumously) and the Hing Family for their second annual community awards. The Superior Optimist Club named **Career Technical Education** teachers; Valerie Garcia, Christine Martinez and Terry Villaverde as Spirit of Optimism Community Champions and the Superior Chamber of Commerce also recognized Picket Post Antiques, Save Money Market and Los Hermanos as Spirit of Superior Business Award winners. The Red Bear Outfitters also received an award from Arizona Game and Fish.

Many notable residents also passed away this year and were honored including long time Magma Employee and Town Historian David Lira, Superior's first Town Clerk Mellie Bribiescas along with Superior's number one panther fan Ignacio



**Dennis Van Gorp** 

Nacho Villaverde and beloved school bus driver Melissa Perez. Leadership at the Food Bank was rocked at the unexpected passing of Pastor Dennis Van Gorp, who was a tireless volunteer at the Food Bank and Town Chaplain.

While this is a brief highlight of 2022 in Superior, everyone at *Copper Area News -Superior Sun* wishes you a Happy New Year. We look forward to covering the news of 2023!







## **COPPER CORRIDOR COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### San Manuel Historical Museum

The San Manuel Historical Museum promised you that we would be open every Saturday. We are keeping our promise. We will be open Saturday, Christmas Eve and Saturday, New Year's Eve and every Saturday 10:00 till 2:00. A perfect time for you and your holiday visitors to stop in and see what has changed, learn and share your stories.

#### Tri-Community Food Bank Open

The Tri-Community Food Bank located at 108 Redwood Drive in Mammoth continues to be in business. We are observing social distancing. Hours are 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. To be eligible you must show proof of address that you live near or in Mammoth, San Manuel, Oracle or Dudleyville and have an income within the federal poverty guidelines. The thrift shop is closed and is not accepting donations. Call 520-487-2010 for more information.

#### **Superior Farmer's Market**

Superior Farm to Fantastic Farmers Market is open every Saturday 10 a.m. to noon at the Food Court on Main Street. Fresh produce baked goods and much more. Follow us on Facebook.

#### Eagle One Veteran Outreach

Visit Eagle One Veteran Outreach Center online at hohp4heroes.org. Eagle One provides veterans a place to learn about and apply for all services available to them.



#### **Bob Jones Museum Hours**

Bob Jones Museum is open on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from noon - 3 p.m. It will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

#### Superior Library Hours

Superior Public Library hours of operation are: Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. There is a one hour time limit on public PCs if others are waiting. Masks are strongly recommended and available upon request. Be sure to like us on Facebook @SuperiorPublicLibrary. Give us a call at (520) 689-2327 if you have any questions.



Wednesday Night Tacos at San Manuel Elks

The San Manuel Elks Lodge will have Wednesday Night Tacos, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Orders to-go may be called in after 5:30 pm at 520-385-4041. We look forward to seeing you.

#### JANUARY

#### January Superior Food Bank Volunteer Schedule

Superior Food Bank, located at 99 N. Lobb Ave., is seeking volunteers for January. All volunteers will need a mask, comfortable closed-toe shoes and be able to lift 15 lbs and push carts. Please let us know if you can help out. Please call 520-689-2202 or text 520-827-9224. We need a total of nine volunteers to help with receiving between 8:30 a.m.- noon on Wednesday, Jan 4, and Thursday, Jan.19, and seven volunteers to bag dry items for distribution between 9 a.m.- noon on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 23 and 24, if needed. Please call before arriving.. On Thursday, Jan. 26, 8:30 a.m.- noon we need three pickup trucks and six volunteers to deliver to Arboretum Apartments. Please be able to lift heavy boxes, bags and push carts. On Friday, Jan. 27, we need 15 volunteers to distribute and clean up from 2:30 p.m.- 5 p.m.

#### **2** Free Exercise Classes in San Manuel

Starting on Monday, Jan. 2, there will be an Exercise Group meeting at the Elks Lodge, 143 8th Ave., San Manuel, on the left side of the main entrance. It will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8-9 a.m. You are invited! Suggested donation for class is \$1.

#### 6 First Friday Social – Superior Seniors

Superior's Senior Center will have its First Friday Social on Jan. 6, 10 a.m. to noon. If you need a ride, please call Carol at 520-689-5182 by Jan. 4. Join them for a nice lunch, a little craft and lots of fun. A donation of \$5 is much appreciated. Call Connie at 602-703-8858 if you have questions.

#### 6 Movie Night at the San Manuel Community Center

Friday, Jan. 6 is the next movie night at San Manuel Community Center. Showing will be 'DC League of Super Pets'. Krypto the Super-Dog and Superman are inseparable best friends, sharing the same superpowers and fighting crime side by side in Metropolis. However, when the Man of Steel and the rest of the Justice League are kidnapped, Krypto must convince a ragtag group of animals to master their own newfound powers for a rescue mission.



## Dr King DVM Availability

Dr. King, DVM, will be scheduled in her Kearny office on Wednesday, Jan. 11, and Wednesday, Jan. 25, for routine pet appointments. To schedule an appointment TEXT her at 1-520-329-5952. She will also be spaying/neutering pet cats/dogs for qualifying low income families through Pets In Need Action League. Spay/neuter applications can be picked up at the Kearny Library or requested by email: thebuddyprojectaz@ gmail.com. Applications for free feral TNR (Trap/Neuter/Return) of community (feral) cats may be requested by The Buddy Project email above.

#### Pioneer Days Planning Meeting

Planning for PIONEER DAYS is underway. The dates have been set for Thursday, March 9 thru Sunday, March 12. Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 11, at the General Kearny Inn (GKI) to discuss committees and volunteers needed for each. You are all invited to come at 7 p.m. With your help we can all make it a Pioneer Days to remember!

#### **11** Game Day at the Superior Senior Center

Superior Senior Center's game day is set for Jan. 11 10-11:30 a.m. If you need a ride, please call Carol at 520-689-5182 by Jan. 9. A donation of \$5 is much appreciated. Call Connie at 602-703-8858 if you have questions.

#### **4** Pinal County Rabies License Clinic

Pinal County Animal Care and Control will be in Kearny on Saturday, Jan 14, at Pioneer Park Ramada. This is behind the Little League field bleachers. Mammoth will also have the Pinal Rabies Clinic on the same date between noon and 2 p.m. at the Pinal County Building. Services provided will be Rabies vaccines and license, combo vaccines for cats and, combo vaccines for dogs. Also suggested are \$20 pet microchips with coverage. The Buddy Project has a universal scanner chosen to be bought for the Kearny area. All dogs are required to be leashed. Pinal County will work with aggressive dogs and cats. Cash and checks are preferred for payment.

#### Oracle-American Ave. Roadwork Update

The final phase of the American Avenue drainage project in Oracle will begin on Monday, Jan. 16. Work will take place on American Avenue between Linda Vista Road and Calle Futura, mostly on roadway shoulder and is estimated to take 6 weeks.

#### **19** San Manuel Agrihood Seeks Volunteers

Volunteers needed! Join SMRC's Agrihood today! Meetings are currently held at the San Manuel Community Center on the third Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. The next meeting will be Jan. 19.

Submit information to CBNSUN@minersunbasin.com, online at copperarea.com/pages/forms or call 520-363-5554. Listings are free. Copper Area News reserves the right to edit or refuse submissions. Submissions are due the Friday before Wednesday publication.

www.copperarea.com



## Panthers compete in holiday tournament

By Nathaniel A. Lopez Superior Sun

There is no rest for the wicked and none for high school basketball players.

The Superior boys basketball team competed in the Lost Dutchman tournament in Apache Junction last week, giving up part of their winter holiday break. They started off their first day with a game against hosts Apache Junction. The Panthers suffered a close loss, with a final score of 36-37. The boys redeemed themselves during their next game against Catalina. The boys played hard and came out with a 50-42 final score. The following day, they played against San Luis, which resulted in a tough loss of 29-43, closing out their time at the Lost Dutchman tournament.



The Panthers compete against the Prospectors and the Trojans at the Lost Dutchman tournament in Apache Junction.