

AJO HALLOWEEN 2013



There were no shortages of heros, princesses, witches, and other bedizened beings at the Plaza. The annual parade is sponsored by the Xi Gamma Pi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.



The sumo wrestler was a big hit at the annual Halloween parade of costumes in the Plaza.



Some cowgirls attended the costume parade with cameras instead of lassos.



Kids, parents, and treaters enjoyed the Trunk or Treat, a family activity sponsored by the Ajo Pastors' Association on Halloween in the Ajo Federated Church's parking lot.



Isabelle Howard led a group of kids on the cakewalk at the public school Halloween carnival on Wednesday, October 30. Many students showed up to play games and eat sweet treats.



The annual Senior Nutrition Halloween Costume Party was held Thursday, October 31, at the community center in Walker Park. Shown here are site manager Marina Padres, third place winner Marie Cain as a Russian bride, second place winner Norma Walker as Dracula, first place winner Johnny Canez in a charro outfit, and site council president Berna Castillo. The winners were awarded gift certificates. Phil Cabello and Ron Whitley entertained with Karaoke. Some of the seniors joined in the fun and sang their favorite songs. PCNRPR photo provided by Lucila Malvido



Sgt. 1st Class Michael Hunter, brigade engineer noncommissioned officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, saluted Maj. Gen. Paul LaCamera, commander, Regional Command-South, during a ceremony at Forward Operating Base Apache, October 31, Hunter, whose hometown is Ajo, was awarded an ARCOM-V badge for his actions during an incident on October 5, which claimed the life of one US soldier and wounded another.

US Army photo by Sgt. Kandi Huggins, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, Public Affairs

Sandra Rogers



Sandra Kay (Hale) Rogers, 63, died at 3 a.m. on Friday, November 1, 2013, in Casa Grande, surrounded by her family.

She was born May 7, 1950, in Monmouth, Illinois, to Lewis & Betty Hale.

Mrs. Rogers had made her home in Why for many years and was the owner of the Why Not Travel Store there for 22 years.

She is remembered as an accomplished seamstress, crafter, quilter, and entrepreneur. She was an active member of the Ajo Lions Club, a generous philanthropist for local causes, and a dedicated dog mom to Coco, Bama, and Sparky.

Her father, Lewis Hale, preceded her in death.

She is survived by her sons & daughters-in-law, Allen & Crystal Wonder of Joppa, Maryland, Cortney & Sandra Wonder of Casa Grande; by her mother, Betty Hale of Little York, Illinois; by her sister Wendy Hale and her partner Bob of Columbia, Missouri, and her sister & brother-in-law, Connie & David Kmoch of Cedar Falls, Iowa; by her grandchildren, Miguel, Katriana, Alexander, Angelina, Arianna, Nicholas, and Trinity; by her nieces Heather Arnold and husband Kevin, and Heidi Sallows of Port Byron, Illinois; by her adopted son Albert; and by many friends, neighbors, and colleagues.

Visitation will be held at Douglass Funeral Home from 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, November 7, followed by a memorial service at 3 p.m. Darwin Chandler will officiate. Her cremated remains will be interred in Warren County Memorial Park Cemetery in Monmouth, Illinois.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Ajo Lions Club, PO Box 612, Ajo, Arizona 85321.

Arrangements are being made by Douglass Funeral Home.

Drug sweep cases from September are now in pre-trial stage

The status of the twelve Ajo residents arrested in a drug sweep on September 10 appeared in limbo for nearly two months after all charges were dismissed without prejudice, reportedly to wait for the results of lab tests on the seized drugs. Ten of the cases involved narcotics such as meth and heroin – classified as dangerous drugs by the legal system – with two cases involving prescription drug violations.

Pima County Attorney's Office spokesperson Stephanie Coronado recently informed the *Ajo Copper News* that Christopher Nelson took a plea last week to possession of meth for sale, and has a sentencing scheduled for December 6. She said the remaining eleven have case management conferences scheduled for November 26 in a number of different divisions.

Case management conferences, according to Coronado, take place after arraignment – where a defendant is formally charged with a crime – but before a possible trial. She said often a plea is reached during these conferences. The process begins with an exchange of information between the prosecution and the defense regarding each case, known as disclosure.

Following this the attorneys for both sides build their cases for a possible trial. Police reports are reviewed, witnesses interviewed, and evidence examined, and any additional investigation is performed. Hearings regarding the admissibility or suppression of evidence may take place at this time.

In the phase known as non-trial disposition, defendants may plead guilty or no contest to the original charges or to different charges, and included may be various con-

ditions that both parties agreed upon. Any victim in a case must be consulted before a plea agreement can be approved. Defense attorneys and prosecutors may also go over scenarios together of what might happen if a case goes to trial.

Victim impact statements may be read to attorneys during case management conferences to better determine the feel of the local populace about drug crimes. Statements may be offered to Ajo Neighborhood Association liaison Dave Godfrey by calling 387-5079, or to local Victim Services Advocate Norma Gomez by calling 387-3664. Statements may be e-mailed to ajoasvic-tim@gmail.com online.

Obituaries

Obituaries are free but do follow the Ajo Copper News style and format.

Request a form by stopping by the office at 10 Pajaro, mailing a letter to Ajo Copper News, P.O. Box 39, Ajo, AZ 85321; calling 520-387-7688; or sending an e-mail to cunews@cunews.info with Obituary in the subject line.

When not enough information is available for a full obituary, a death notice listing the decedent's name and available service information may be published and the full obituary run in a later issue.



The Ajo Copper News staff is working with the Pima County Sheriff's Department public information officers to return the Sheriff's Log to the newspaper.

Douglass

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<p>The River 530 Palo Verde</p> <p>Non denominational bible teaching, children's classes and a time of worship. An outreach of Calvary Chapel Casa Grande Caleb Kesler Home 387-4927, Cell 520-705-5567 Sunday10 a.m.</p>	<p>First Assembly of God "The Rock Church" 950 N. Cameron George F. Kraft, Pastor Church 387-7163 Sun.9:45 & 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday.7 p.m. Thurs. Youth Meeting6-8 p.m.</p>
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Local artists Joyce Chaney and Sally Banks looked over examples of doodle art before Chaney's presentation at the opening reception of the November art exhibit called Doodling, now on display in the library in the Plaza. The duo held a copy of a 1922 doodle art piece by Paul Klee, which hangs in the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. On the library wall is a Chaney original called *Poseidon's Gift*, featuring the mythological Greek horse created by waves of the sea.

Chaney describes doodling as the art of drawing for the pure joy of it, with no thought to using proper artistic principles. Participants at the presentation were treated to a doodling demonstration with audience participation.

Auditions for one-act plays are November 6

The Ajo Community Players will hold auditions for parts in a series of one-act plays on Wednesday, November 6, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Curley School library, located on the second floor directly above the front entrance. Needed are males and females of all ages to play the parts of characters in four plays, including a number of realistic-looking zombies.

The plays, scheduled for a weekend in mid-January, involve a cannabis-growing widow who dates an ex-cop, flaring tempers as cotton shirts shrink, the continuing adventures of hotel detective Dick Piston, and zombies attending the theater during a zombie apocalypse.

Along with actors, individuals are needed to build sets, paint signs, serve as stagehands, and as emcees for shows.

To learn more, contact Sherri O'Hare at 387-6240 or via e-mail at sherriohare@hotmail.com online.

Time to start on Angel Wish Tree applications

Angel Wish Tree applications will be available starting Wednesday, November 6, from Mary Garcia with Pima County Community Services, at 120 W. Estrella, according to an announcement by Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation.

The program is designed for low-income children from infants through age 12. The deadline for eligible applications to be turned in to Garcia is Tuesday, December 17.

For more information, call Community Services Office at 387- 5611 and ask for Mary Garcia. PCCS office hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to noon, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Retirement party Friday to honor Dr. Johnson

Dr. Carol Johnson has retired from Desert Senita Community Health Center after over nine years of service. A casual community gathering in her honor is planned for Friday, from 5 to about 6:30 p.m. in the Ajo Ambulance training room, 1850 N. Ajo-Gila Bend Highway.

All her friends and patients are invited to attend and wish her well. Light refreshments will be served.

Celebrate Veterans' Day with chili

The VFW Auxiliary will be serving a never-ending bowl of chili on Veterans Day at 3 p.m. at the VFW post.

Those attending are encouraged to bring friends and enjoy chili, rolls, crackers, and hot wings.

All proceeds to be used for VFW Auxiliary's community service programs.

WPCCC to meet this Thursday

Western Pima County Community Council meeting will be Thursday, November 7, at 7 p.m. at the Ajo Community Center at Walker Park.

Speakers will be Dr. Louis Albert, president of Pima Community College's West Campus and Deb Miller of Supervisor Sharon Bronson's office.

Updates will be given by representatives from the sheriff's department, the school, health center, chamber of commerce, and US Border Patrol.

Deb Miller will be on hand one hour before the meeting to talk with individuals who want assistance with or information about county matters.

WPCCC is a non-governmental body that provides a public forum for community issues and interactions with government agencies.



The Ajo Chapter of the Knights of Columbus Fr. George Feeney Council 5471 installed officers October 16. Sitting left to right: Financial Secretary Jose Castillo, Grand Knight Joseph Pacheco, Victor Salazar (for chancellor Benny Robles), Secretary Arturo Vega, Warden & Trustee Rudy Ayala, Hop David (for Lector Manuel Aroz). Standing left to right: KC insurance agent Louis White, Treasurer Eric Alegria, Trustee Gerald Walters, Advocate John Casey, District Deputy Bob Duckworth, Trustee Darrell Walls, Robert Kearney (for Deputy Grand Knight Mike Mason). After installation the group enjoyed a potluck dinner served by the KCs and their wives.



New xeriscaping graces the perimeter of the LDS Church, 801 Cedar Street, with church First Counciler Ben Blackburn, Bishop Ryan Judd, Maricopa Stake President Malin Lewis, and Second Counciler Cody Harwood taking a moment to admire the look.

Primary reasons for the change from the original landscape of tall fan palms, silk oaks, and bottle trees surrounded by turf were to conserve water and to keep moisture and roots from damaging the building foundation. The local church, dedicated in 1961, celebrated its 50th anniversary two years ago and deterioration to parts of the foundation were becoming apparent, noted Lewis. He added that the tall palm trees were expensive to prune and involved a liability issue with falling tree debris and the potential for a tree to fall on the church roof.

The new look includes an expanse of salmon-colored decorative rock with a sprinkling of landscape boulders around the church along with low-water-use plants such as gold lantana, dwarf bottlebrush, bougainvillea, Mediterranean fan and sago palms, rosemary, boxwood, pyracantha, pittosporum, red bird of paradise, desert spoon, red yucca, yaupon holly, cenizo, Indian hawthorn, and coral fountain spaced for a non-cluttered appearance at plant maturity. The turf beyond will continue to be heat-loving hybrid Bermuda grass in summer over-seeded by rye in winter. Currently the local bird population is making it challenging to establish a winter lawn, explained the church officials. Several mature trees remain and have been supplemented by new specimens of pistachio, pear, and elm. The work was done by a facilities management group based in Casa Grande that works with the Salt Lake office and with local authorities. Lewis said the management group keeps an eye on numerous facilities and offers suggestions for improvement, such as a planned resurfacing of the church parking lot in 2014.

Second Saturday fun on November 9

The Second Saturday community event for this month will be on November 9 in the Plaza and elsewhere.

A farmers' market is scheduled for 9 to 11 a.m. Artists will be on hand from 9 a.m. to noon.

A guided tour of the Plaza and Curley School is set for 10 a.m. Participants are asked to meet at the Plaza flagpole.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the clay studio in the manual arts building on the Curley campus will be open to the public.

An art workshop with artist Marla Ettenberg will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. in the foyer next to Repeat Performance in the Plaza. Participants will use artist's brushes and acrylic painting techniques to transform pre-baked dough animal ornaments into colorful beasts.

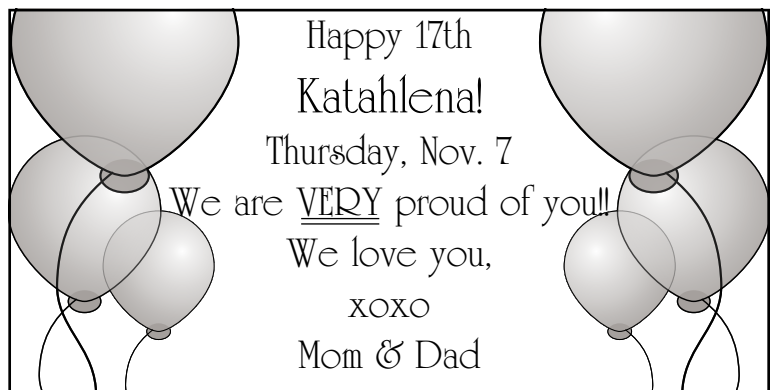
There will be a Childs Mountain tour leaving from the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge visitor at 3:30 p.m. Reservations are required by Friday, November 8, at noon. Call 387-6483.

Second Saturday events have fun for all ages, said ISDA organizers. For more details, call ISDA at 387-3570.

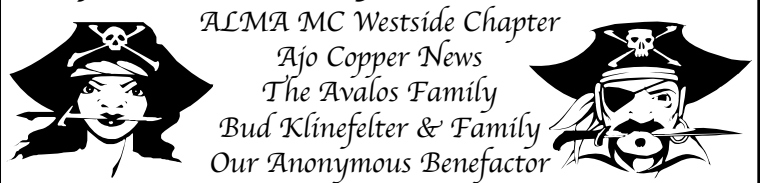
Three veterans to be honored November 24

Three local veterans, Frankie Parra, B.J. Clements, and Jack Garchow, will be honored by veterans organizations of Ajo. The American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars will present the trio with plaques honoring their unselfish service, according to organizer Bryan Blow.

The event, which will be held at 2 p.m. on November 24 at the VFW Post, will also feature a flag ceremony, music by Karen Gonzales, and a potluck.

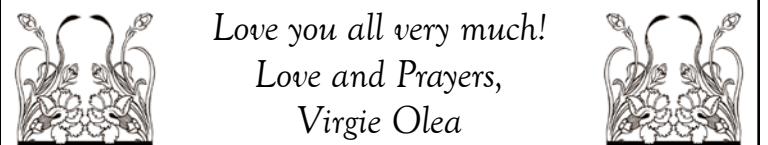


The Class of '83 would like to thank those who helped make our 30 year reunion a success:



Without your Support, we would not have had such a wonderful time.

I want to thank all my friends and cousins on Facebook for all the great Birthday Wishes, it was a great surprise. My family for the gifts, beautiful cards & surprises. It was the best birthday. I'll never forget. Delores, thank you for my B-day card.



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If you are between 16 and 24 years old, you may be eligible to join our afternoon program at the ISDA Learning Center (old cafeteria/gallery) 401 W. Esperanza, M-F 12-3 pm.

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Karen Sucharski and Mike Henrichs displayed items that were made with only 25 pounds of clay. They say the Curley School Clay Studio wants to help Ajoites make their holiday gifts this year.

"We know money is tight," said Karen Sucharski, studio manager. "We can show people how to make a variety of quality gifts for little money."

"Even if they don't have any experience," Mike Henrichs, day manager, chimed in.

Henrichs and Sucharski took over the clay studio in August. They have been getting the word out that the clay department is open for the community to use. They have also been offering introductory classes in hand building forms and how to throw on the pottery wheel.

"We've had a really fun birthday party and lots of new students," Henrichs said. "We also offer team building, girl's and guy's night out, date night or, we've had whole families come in and just have fun."

The studio is run on a donation basis to cover operating costs and maintain equipment. Clay, glazes and kiln firings to finish pieces have set charges. There are a variety of tools and equipment for people to use.

"All it takes is imagination," Sucharski said. "And if you have experience, just pay for supplies and firings. If not, Mike is an excellent, patient, knowledgeable teacher."

Sucharski is the co-founder and owner of LunarStar Pottery and has been making her living from pottery for the past 14 years. Henrichs has a culinary arts degree and took pottery as an elective in college. He fell in love with it and joined LunarStar as a partner nearly 2 years ago.

The Clay Studio is open Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. It is open Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. It is also open for Second Saturday in Ajo for tours, working independently and sales from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information contact us at 480-427-1619 or Mikeh3k@yahoo.com.

Photo by Jewel Clearwater

Insurance & beasts are topics at library

Upcoming library activities include a visit from the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, and a health insurance marketplace followed by some laughing.

On Thursday, November 7, at 10 a.m., The Arizona Sonora-Desert Museum will present animals of the night from bats to kangaroo rats.

On Monday, November 11, the library will be closed in observance of Veterans Day.

On Tuesday, November 12, at 10:30 a.m., America Perez will be available to discuss basics and options in applying for health insurance coverage via the new health insurance marketplace. After the health insurance marketplace discussion, Jane Canon, RN and certified laughter yoga leader, will lighten the mood and do some de-stressing with participants. The program is a partnership between Desert Senita Community Health Clinic and Salazar-Ajo Library.

More information about library activities can be found in the library's ad elsewhere in this issue.



WEATHER REPORT

TEMPERATURES	Max	Min
Sunday, Oct. 27	90°	64°
Monday, Oct. 28	81°	55°
Tuesday, Oct. 29	73°	49°
Wednesday, Oct. 30	72°	49°
Thursday, Oct. 31	76°	52°

Weekday weather information is provided by Freeport-McMoRan.

For the week, expect sunny skies, highs in the 80s and lows in the 50s according to *weather.com* online.

YOGA
MWF
8:15 a.m.
Curley Auditorium

Letter to the editor Trick was no treat

Editor:

On Halloween night, a masked vigilante stole my bucket of candy.

My evening had gone sour taking the fun out of my night, so I say to the stealthy candy thief, I will make this brief — I hope you get a bellyache.

Lupe Ownby

School board meets this week

The Ajo Unified School District board scheduled its study session for Tuesday, November 5, and its regular session Wednesday, November 6. Both meetings begin at 5:30 p.m.

Meetings are held in the board meeting room on the AUSD campus. All meetings are open to the public.

The school calendar and other information can be found at <http://ajoschools.org> online.

PTSA meeting is November 7

The Parent Teacher Student Association is holding a meeting in the Ajo school board room on Thursday, November 7, from 6 to 7 p.m. Middle school math and science teacher Kiran Beharie is the PTSA president this school year and will be facilitating the meeting.

Topics for discussion include the PTSA box tops fundraiser and other fundraiser efforts, support of the No Bullying mission, a presentation about Math Club, OSIRIS-Rex assembly-type programs for students, a National Parks program, the after-school reading program, Red Ribbon Week, the school talent show, holiday store, Facebook page, and reports from other officers in the PTSA.

The public is invited to attend.

Game night planned for kids

A game night for youth ages 8 to 17 will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, November 8, in the fellowship hall at Calvary Baptist Church.

"Come out for a night of fun and prizes," say Melanie & David Daniel.

For more information, visit Facebook — Youth of Ajo.

Correction

The article in last week's Ajo Copper News about the Kaity's Way yard sale stated that Kaity was the granddaughter of the late Jacque Boyd. Jacque Boyd is, however, very much alive.

The staff apologizes profusely for the error.

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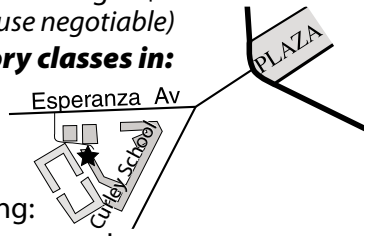
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Western Pima County Community Council MEETING

Thursday, Nov. 7, 7 p.m.
Ajo Community Center in Walker Park

Deb Miller, Assistant to Supervisor Sharon Bronson, will be on hand one hour before the meeting. Please use this opportunity to express your concerns.

SPEAKERS:

- Dr. Louis Albert, president, Pima Community College - West Campus
- Deb Miller of Supervisor Sharon Bronson's office
- Updates from representatives from PCSD, AUSD, DSCHC, CofC, and BP

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A 1946 Chevy 3100-series half-ton pickup belonging to Kord Klinefelter drew a lot of attention at a middle school car wash last Saturday at Mike Holt's Ajo Shell & Car Wash. Supervised by AUSD middle school advisor and English teacher Shanna Sellers, seventh- and eighth-grade students Cora Spieth, Alena Celeya, Miranda Neira, Ashley Blount, Rosa Serventi, and Nikki Sanora swarmed over the truck's polished finish with towels to leave a spotless shine.

A total of 23 students participated in the event, raising funds for an end-of-school-year field trip – possibly a return to the Sunsplash Waterpark in Phoenix, noted Sellers. She said funds will also go toward a middle school-sponsored ice cream social and an undetermined activity based on remaining funds and a middle school council vote. Can coozie sales are an additional means of raising funds, and donation checks may be sent to Ajo Unified School District with "Middle school student council" written on the memo line.

"We're excited about this," said Sellers. "When I first took over the fundraiser program the middle school actually owed money. Last year we raised an impressive \$750 and I'm sure we will exceed that this year with the wonderful community support!"

Youth soccer is holding registration

Soccer registration is currently being held for boys and girls ages 5 to 12 at the Parks & Recreation office, according to Lucila Malvido of Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation.

A coaches' meeting will be held Thursday, November 7, at Ajo Community Center at 5:30 p.m.

A soccer clinic will be held for all eligible players and coaches Tuesday, November 12, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Walker Park.

Anyone who has a team organized or wants more information should call Malvido 387-6641.

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CofC members heard about development

The speaker at the October 29 meeting of the Ajo District Chamber of Commerce was Casey Rooney, economic development director for the City of Cottonwood.

Rooney spoke about ideas and plans that officials in Cottonwood are pursuing to promote tourism and business development, noting he felt it is important that local CofCs focus on what a community is good at, something unique a community may have to offer, such as a historical slant, mining, art, or an attraction as a retirement area. For instance, he said, in Cottonwood the art of wine tasting is being promoted because the region is conducive to grape growing. Rooney suggested Ajo promote its quality of life as a safe place to live with lots of friendly people.

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Dee Hightower represented the Rock Church's Women's Ministry when they donated 97 quilts to The Caring House in Sacaton on October 28. Shown here with Hightower (third from the right) are Pam, Irene, Annie, and activity director Blaire Harris. Glenda Kermode said community support, including material, money, and labor made the donation possible.

The Rock Church is the local name for the First Assembly of God Church in Ajo.



By M. William Mekelburg

It might seem logical that taking over the maintenance contract of a new property by a landscaper or property manager would be considered a good thing. Hidden dangers lurk, however, and they can bite with little warning.

The most serious hidden hazard has to do with tree decline. Trees are generally the focal points of a landscape and carry the highest value, and therefore the most consequence when things go bad. (Large cacti may also be included in this.)

The problem with tree decline is it can take many years, even decades, to finally become obvious. For the unwary who don't recognize early signs of it, tree decline can be a ticking time bomb waiting to make a new caretaker look incompetent.

In a nutshell, trees that are not actively growing, that is, growing new large structural branches on a regular basis, are technically in decline. In good health, a citrus tree in a residential setting will actively grow for roughly 50 years and spend another 10 years in decline, with only the last 2 or

3 years of that showing obvious signs such as branch die-back. In other words, the majority of the decline stage is hardly apparent; it just looks like the tree is no longer getting any bigger.

Too often, "good health" was never achieved by a landscape tree. The reasons for premature decline are myriad, but one of the most common culprits takes place at planting time: the root flare is planted too deep. When this happens, a tree, say a citrus, will actively grow for 3, 5, or maybe 10 years or more, depending on flare depth, and just stop growing, merely putting new leaves on for another 5 to 10 years before an early demise. Improper watering, root competition from the neighbor's yard, and internode pruning (topping) are other common culprits.

Watch out for yards with small trees with hefty trunks, which often indicates they have not been actively growing for some time, and watch for yards with one or two large trees along with much smaller ones, which may indicate premature tree decline in the smaller specimens.

There are really only two options when dealing with decline: cut out the dead parts of branch die-back to help the tree's appearance until its demise, or remove the tree and start over. It may be argued that education to avoid the scenarios that cause early decline in the first place is really the best option.



By Greg Burton

Monday evening at the Ajo Community Golf Course, six players were out for the Skins game. George Steckle was in great form as he won three skins on #3, #4 & #9. Bill Conley also got one on #1. The rest of us were just along for the ride and the good laughs in the clubhouse following.

Wednesday night Couples play, was dominated by Tony & Linda McGarry as they shot a sizzling 28.4 followed by Mike & Patty Taylor at 30.6 and Frank Milene & Carol Peek also at 30.6.

Friday night at the Pro Am, team captain Hector Canez, along with his father Johnny Canez, Bud Turner, and Harley Murray won first place. (Johnny Canez was the 1989 Ajo Country Club Men's Champion so it was good to see he's still got it! I saw him chip one in for the team on hole #1.) Dick Gates and his team of Joe Gonzales, Frank Milene & Linda McGarry took second place.

The overseeding is done so we're just waiting for the new seed on the greens to take off. If you haven't tried us you're missing out.



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The 2013 Lady Raiders Varsity Volleyball Team: kneeling from left - Myah Miranda (10), Brianna Gonzalez (4), Ana Rodriguez (1), Charlee Harper (2); standing - Coach Ticha Mancilla, Shanoa Noriega (15), Hannah Lynn (8), Erika Salcido (12), Yami Perez (5), Mariah Gilmartin (11), and assistant coach Brisy Nuñez. Robert Sorrels photo

RAIDER OF THE WEEK

By Robert Sorrels



The final fall Raider of the Week is Danesi Yamilex Perez. Yami is a senior who plays volleyball, basketball, and softball. Her motivation is straightforward. "It helps me stay in shape, I'm involved in something fun, and it's great to be part of a team." She finds volleyball particularly challenging, "because it changes so fast." In trying to remember a great moment, Perez thought of the match against Gila Bend. "I played my heart out in that game." She's found her confidence improved this year and isn't particularly nervous before a match.

Beyond sports Perez is in the National Honor Society and class governance. In prior years she had been in the Drama Club and Junior State of America (JSA) but those activities now lack faculty sponsors thus aren't happening. She found JSA to be particularly compelling.

Perez's heroes are her mother and Christa McAuliffe. "I've read everything about Christa and she proved to me that women can do anything!" Her own beliefs reflect this, "Don't be afraid to try anything. Failure is only if you don't learn."

Perez intends to study psychology and human behavior in college then go to law school. Her mother is Dalia Pazos.

Lady Raiders go out winners

By Robert Sorrels
Ajo 3, ASDB 1

Senior night, cancer awareness, and a slim chance of playoffs were all riding on the Ladies' last volleyball game. Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind was also in pink and battling to advance. The two teams played all out.

Ajo opened strong beating the Sentinels 25-16 on good service and timely kills. With the Raiders down 15-5 Shanoa Noriega's 15-point run put them well into the lead. Noriega finished the match with 5 aces, 1 error on 27 attempts. Defense and passing were good throughout. In the second game, the Ladies' service went erratic and never recovered. ASDB quickly took advantage of Ajo errors winning 25-16. Mariah Gilmartin was the only Raider able to get a point on service.

At the changeover, coach Ticha Mancilla had words for her team, and they woke up. ASDB took a slim lead, but was reeled back in by good defense. The teams were neck and neck till the Raiders broke to 20-14. ASDB refused to go away as Ajo had to fight point-by-point to win 25-19.

The fourth game was intense. Ajo jumped to a 10-2 lead, but the ASDB captain put them up 12-10. Noriega and Erika Salcido both served well pushing Ajo to 19-16. From there it was again a back and forth struggle till Hannah Lynn served to win the game and match, 25-23.

Ajo ended at 9-7. This was one of their better recent teams. It improved as the season went on and, most important, stayed cohesive. "It's not that we don't have differences," noted one senior. "It's that we keep it off the court." Ajo loses five seniors, the heart of their

starting line-up. Also assistant coach Bressy Nunez is leaving to start a family. She will be missed. The JV played well, so next year has promise.

The Raiders can handle the lower half of their section. They now need to beat the upper half. To do so three things must happen: (1) Improve service. Arguably the Ladies lost at least two matches to service failure. (2) Be in better control of the attack. Their kill-error ratio was often negative. Finally, (3) learn to not let good teams "get inside their heads". They have to play their game no matter what.

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Nov. 6 1:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY

Random Readers Book Club

At the November meeting Random Readers will be Book Sharing. Bring and/or talk about a book you are reading or have read. The book to be discussed on Dec. 4 will be "The Last Kestrel". Copies are available for checkout.

Nov. 7 10 a.m. THURSDAY

Creatures of the Night

The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum shows you that the desert is the place to be for lively nightlife. From bats to kangaroo rats, meet the creatures that wake up once the sun has set.

Nov. 9 Noon SATURDAYS

O'odham Language Study Group

"Our language is our culture: Speak it to keep it alive." O'odham youths or anyone not fluent in the O'odham language or those who want to learn how to read and write it are encouraged to attend.

Nov. 11 MONDAY
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Nov. 12 10:30 a.m. TUESDAY

Change 4 Life

Insurance Marketplace & Stress Relief

America Perez, certified application counselor, will discuss basics and options in applying for health insurance coverage via the new Health Insurance Marketplace. If eligible, consumers may be able to receive tax credits to help pay the insurance premiums. Afterward, Jane Canon, RN and certified laughter yoga leader, will help lighten the mood and help everyone de-stress. The program is a partnership between Desert Senita Community Health Center and Salazar-Ajo Library.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Random Readers	1:30 p.m.	Wed., Nov. 6
Friends of the Library	1 p.m.	Thurs., Nov. 7
Ajo Community Garden	5:30 p.m.	Tues., Nov. 12
Ajo Garden Club	10 a.m.	Mon., Dec. 2
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