

Welcome to our expanded Community News Bulletin, to provide news faster, more often, in storable email format .

## The Chronicle Rescued!



Word



Adobe Acrobat



Google



Picture of Fido

**What would you do if you turned on your computer and saw this?**

**You clicked Google and it opened Word. You tried Excel, and you got Word. And Fido was no-where to be seen.**



Excel



Quick Books



Epson Printer



My Calendar

**Would you have a clue???**

Nope, I didn't either. And after dealing with multiple issues of both old and new computers, I was ready to take my newspaper over to the Sonoran News, and chuck it all. Fortunately, there were a couple of computer doctors who saved the day, Steve Woods and Mark, of Tech4Life at 748 Easy Street in Carefree.

We have many remarkable individuals in our tiny towns, way out of proportion to the population. I'm glad when I have a chance to point out the special folks who are always there, no matter what the crisis.

I wish you all could live in harmony with your computers, but, ain't gonna happen. Visit the "country doctor" when your computer is in disarray.

*Sara*

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This week's stories include: Tech4Life • Public Paving notice • School Bond 1 • Letters to the Editor • Food Bank Jobs service expansion • Interfaith Activities • Gold Mine Thrift Shop Close Out Sale • Horse Rescue Dinner at Harold's on July 20 • Desert Foothills Theater- Cabaret Night • Artists Jonathan & Julia Harmon

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Town of Cave Creek has contracted road work for the mill and paving on **Cave Creek Road south of Carefree Highway** from July 15 through July 24. Drivers can expect delays during this construction.

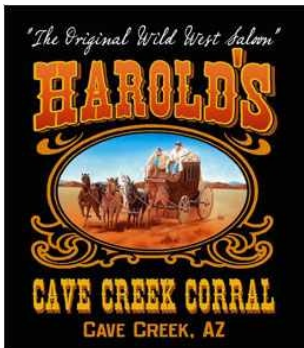
### **Below is the schedule:**

Tuesday, July 15 – Friday, July 18	Roadway Patching and Lower Utility Boxes & Manholes
Friday, July 19	Mill the roadway surfaces
Monday, July 21 – Wednesday, July 23	Pave Milled Roadway Sections
Thursday, July 24	Re-stripe Roadways and Lane Lines

### **Carrie**

Carrie A. Dyrek, MMC  
Town Clerk, Town of Cave Creek  
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480.488.6613

Town Hall Hours are Monday through Thursday 7:00am - 5:00 pm. Town Hall is closed on Fridays.



### **Third Annual Anniversary Party –After the Homestretch-Arizona**

Saddle up and plan to join us for the Third Anniversary Party of After The Homestretch - Arizona, which **will be held at Harold's Corral on Sunday, July 20, 2014 from 4pm - 7pm.**

Admission is \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children under 12 years of age. Your admission gets you an opportunity to....

- Dine on a delicious spaghetti **dinner**, including salad, bread, and tea
- View and bid on a variety of items at our **silent auction**. Items will include:
  - an autographed basketball from Phoenix Suns player Miles Plumlee
  - matted & framed pencil drawing art print by Laurette Harris of Four Reel Farm
  - Diamondbacks gift basket including signed photo of Miguel Montero and baseball signed by Wade Miley
  - A bucket of horse goodies from Karsten's Horse and Pet
- Buy **50/50 raffle tickets**
- Buy tickets for a **special drawing** (to help raise funds for Comet's dental surgery) for a two-night stay plus breakfast for two at the beautiful **White Stallion Ranch** in Tucson. <http://www.wsranch.com>



**White Stallion Ranch Special Drawing**



## **The Cave Creek Unified School District Asks Voters to approve two Bond Issues, for \$10.2 and \$30 million.**

The Chronicle will introduce the concepts affecting the School Bond Issue, to be voted on in November. There is a lot to talk about, but we'll give you short stories, with plenty of links if you want to know more. Part 1 is about the nature of the bonds and permitted expenditures.

Cave Creek Unified School District (CCUSD)



Almost everyone who reads this will be within this large school district. The boundaries are roughly Jenny Lynn Road on the north, 40<sup>th</sup> Street on the west, south past Pinnacle Peak Road, and an irregular border east as far as McDowell Mountain Road. See map below.

- On June 10<sup>th</sup>, the governing board of the School District discussed, and approved, submission to the district voters of two new bond issues for substantial construction/renovation of the various school structures throughout the district. It is important to distinguish the difference between renovation, and new construction, which will be an ancillary part of the overall rebuilding of existing school facilities. The last bond issue for new construction of schools was in 2000, when voters approved \$41 million for a rapidly expanding community. \$10.2 million was left at that time, but could not be used to repair existing structures under then-current law. The funds have been maintained in trust pending resolution by the Legislature with new law, which has occurred. This separate money will be a separate bond issue, which must be approved by local voters again, as the District needs to use the fund for repairs of old buildings and support structures, rather than construction of new buildings.

If approved, this \$10.2 million which has been collected and escrowed should not cost the taxpayers anything more than what they have already paid in taxes.

- The second bond request is \$30 million, and is dedicated to repairs, renovation, and incidental connected items, such as expanded sports facilities. It is anticipated that, if passed, it will cost each parcel additionally about \$17 per \$100,000 of secondary assessed valuation (i.e. approximately a house worth \$500,000 would pay \$85 in addition to current taxes. (per "CCUSD Projected Secondary Tax Impact from Issuing New Bonds" table in Section 6.4 Agenda).

It is plain that substantial devaluation of the existing buildings would have occurred over these decade-plus years of use. But the district now faces a declining enrollment and the higher cost of maintenance of old structures and equipment. If rejected, are we just pushing this devaluation down the road to more expensive replacement?

It is also plain that home and business owners are immersed in the so called "recovery" and still struggling. Taxpayers will need to give serious attention to the balancing of the district's future needs and the ability of residents to support same.

Over coming weeks, we examine just how severe these needs are, and we must also balance the District's legal obligations to protect these assets for the coming generations versus our natural instinct to slash all government budgets.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

### "and now for something different"... Case Law Interpreted by 'Realtor' Janet Mohr

***John B. Vannucci***

In the Sonoran News' July 2, 2014 'Guest Editorial', local area Realtor and perennial complainer at the podium, Janet Mohr, tries to explain why the Cave Creek (Un) Caring Citizens recall initiative failed. Their ONE YEAR effort to collect enough signatures on petitions to recall the newly elected councilmen was determined to be invalid, due to numerous violations of the signature collection process.

Of course the botched recall was not their fault; they blame the Justice system, they blame the Judges' rulings, they blame the defendants ( Trenk, Monachino, Durkin and Spitzer) for being able to hire legal representation to defend themselves. The ability to defend oneself in court is a Constitutional Right for every citizen in this Nation, apparently not according to legal expert Janet Mohr. She and the rest of the Sorchych Clan have been complaining since the last election that these Councilmen 'bought' the election, and now they try to imply that the new councilmen 'bought' the court because they could afford an attorney. How idiotic.

How incredibly ignorant and dishonest Mohr's interpretation of the final ruling is. It indicates how this angry group refuses to be realistic or fair minded. This challenge by the defendants was ruled on by TWO different judges in TWO separate hearings. Both judges ruled according to a case law decision known as 'Parker vs. Tucson'. Also, it was proven that several of the petition sheets were signed (affirmed) by people who did not witness or collected the signatures. A violation of election laws. But not according to legal expert Janet Mohr. She claims that particular case law was incorrectly used by these judges. She claims all their signatures were valid; they were not. Apparently the law does not apply to this group of malcontents.

Finally, this group of (Un) Caring Citizens lament that they could not afford to pay for a lawyer. Really? Well next time around (and I'm sure there will be a next time as long as Sorchych continues to be their leader) maybe she should dig into her realtor commissions kitty and start saving, or borrow it from leader Sorchych who has plenty of money for attorneys. You can be sure of one thing going forward, and that is, any future petition signatures will be challenged and scrutinized thoroughly. That is the System, so UCC should live with it, and brush up on election law.

*John Vannucci*

*The Fiscal Conservative Creeker*



## NEWS ADVISORY



### Foothills Food Bank & Resource Center to offer employment assistance

#### *Team Job Search will assist food bank customers with job searches*

July 10, 2014, Cave Creek, Arizona – Foothills Food Bank and Resource Center will offer Team Job Search to its customers who seek employment in the Cave Creek/Carefree area. Beginning in September 2014, Team Job Search will provide workshops to assist food bank customers in finding the best job.

Team Job Search, which was created by Richard McCarty, is a community program sponsored by the Foothills Food Bank that will help individuals reinvent the way they look for work. In today's market place, 98% of all resumes go through an inhuman electronic screening process that rejects 75% of applications before they are viewed by a human being. Team Job Search will teach food bank customers proven techniques to ensure that applications and resumes are selected for interviews. Team Job Search will conduct meetings to introduce food bank clients to new methods for finding the right job. Workshop times and dates will be announced soon and all sessions will be held at Desert Foothills Library in Cave Creek.

*The Foothills Food Bank and Resource Center provides emergency food, financial assistance and other life necessities and resources to individuals and families in the desert foothills, which encompasses a 180-square mile area that includes Black Canyon City, Cave Creek, Carefree, Anthem, Desert Hills, New River, north Scottsdale and north Phoenix.*

*For more details, visit Foothills Food Bank at [www.foothillsfoodbank.com](http://www.foothillsfoodbank.com) or call 480.488.1145. Foothills Food Bank & Resource Center is located at Hidden Valley Drive in Cave Creek, Ariz.*

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### **New Interfaith Partnership in North Scottsdale** ***Jewish and Methodist congregations working together***

*Scottsdale, Arizona, July 7, 2014* – Congregation Kehillah, a six-year-old Jewish synagogue community, and Via de Cristo, a 12-year-old United Methodist congregation, are now sharing a sanctuary and common space in Pinnacle Peak Office Park (Scottsdale Rd. & Pinnacle Peak Rd.). The two congregations, which serve the North Scottsdale/Phoenix/Desert Ridge area, are planning some joint programming as well.

While churches and synagogues sometimes share space to conserve fiscal resources, Congregation Kehillah and Via de Cristo UMC are doing so for a different reason: They hope to create a multi-faith campus that will serve as an example of different faiths working and learning together. A key activity will be engaging in joint social action projects – known in Judaism as *tikkun olam*, repairing the world – an important focus for both organizations.

At the first joint meeting of the Social Action committees of both organizations, Reisa Miller, Chair of Congregation Kehillah's Social Action Committee, said: "Alone, we can do good things. Together, we can do great things." Sally Rings, who coordinates social action projects for Via de Cristo, noted that "together, we can address more needs while demonstrating that social justice is the work of many faith traditions."

Congregation Kehillah and Via de Cristo ultimately hope that their campus will become known as a sacred space serving as a resource to the larger community – a place where individuals can grow in their understanding of one another's beliefs, find common ground, and work together for the betterment of the entire community.

The partnership is partly the result of "lucky" timing. Reverend Jeff Procter-Murphy, spiritual leader of Via de Cristo, reached out to the Jewish community for a faith partner at the same time that Congregation Kehillah began looking for a new home. As it turned out, Rev. Procter-Murphy and Rabbi Bonnie Sharfman, spiritual leader of Congregation Kehillah, discovered that their mutual interest in multi-faith community had deep, common roots:

"Both Rabbi Sharfman and I are connected with seminaries in Los Angeles that are now working together on multi-faith clergy education," he said. "Although this initiative started way past our own ordinations, this is something that we are working to create, de facto, here today."

Congregation Kehillah moved into Via de Cristo's facility at the end of April 2014. Each congregation maintains its own identity and religious beliefs. During Congregation Kehillah's services, some of Via de Cristo's artwork in its sanctuary is temporarily replaced by tapestries created by Kehillah volunteers. "Without question," says Rabbi Sharfman, "Jewish life and practice – rituals, services, customs, beliefs, learning, living – remain intact and the core of our identity."

Congregation Kehillah is the only Jewish house of worship in its new North Scottsdale neighborhood. Kehillah Board Member Daniel Cohen, who lives just a few miles from Kehillah's new location, is confident Kehillah's move is the right decision – and not just for his own family.

"This area is one of the fastest growing Jewish communities in the Valley," said Cohen. "Kehillah's new location is beautiful and the focus on social action is a high priority for my wife and me as our child grows up."





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### **Desert Foothills Theater Presents “Cabaret Night: Sentimental Journey” on Sun., July 20 at Venues Cafe**

#### ***T.A. Burrows and Kat Bailes to Fill the Night with Music***

(CAREFREE) – Back by popular demand, Desert Foothills Theater (DFT), a division of the Foothills Community Foundation, presents **“Cabaret Night: Sentimental Journey”** on **Sunday, July 20** featuring the dynamic duo, **T.A. Burrows and Kat Bailes**. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with appetizers at Venues Café, 34 Easy St., in Carefree, with the performance set for 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$40 per person and include a glass of wine, appetizers and the show. Proceeds from the performance benefit Desert Foothills Theater.

“This is the first of our Cabaret Series and because tickets have sold out for previous shows, we encourage guests to purchase their tickets early,” said Meribeth Reeves, DFT executive director. “We also anticipate a lot of interest in this show, particularly because T.A. and Kat are multi-talented entertainers who are known for dazzling audiences.”

Burrows and Bailes’ Sentimental Journey cabaret performance will take the audience on a music and memory-filled trip through time. Covering five decades from malt shops to the new millennium, the duo will perform 21 renowned songs that comprise “the soundtrack of our lives,” as music and culture evolved from Elvis Presley to Michael Buble and Brenda Lee to Shania Twain. Between the hits, they will regale the audience with humorous anecdotes and recollections of the fads and fashions of each era.

“Sentimental Journey is an amazing 75-minute expedition filled with unforgettable songs, lots of laughs, and great memories,” Reeves said. “You’ll be humming the tunes well after the evening is over.”



Two more DFT Cabaret nights are planned for 2014 at Venues Cafe: Charles Lewis and Shannon Wallace will perform Broadway favorites and jazz greats on Sunday, October 19 and the Soul of Broadway group directed by Mitchell Vantrease will entertain the crowd with a special holiday show on Sunday, December 21.

Doors open on July 20 at 6:15 p.m. and seating is first come, first serve. For details or to reserve tickets, visit [www.dftheater.org](http://www.dftheater.org) or call **(480) 488-1981**.

## **The Gold Mine Thrift Shop**

6502 Cave Creek Road

480-488-3721

Shopping and Donation Hours: Wednesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

<http://www.goodshepherdaz.org/gold-mine.html>

<https://www.facebook.com/gold.mine.5245?fref=ts>

**END of Season Sale!**

**July 23 - July 26**

Clothing Bag Sale: \$5 per bag (we pack)

Remember, we clear the store to restock in the Fall. EVERYTHING is heavily discounted!

We will be closed Wednesday, July 30 through Saturday, August 30.

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See you for our Grand Re-Opening Wednesday, September 3! Have a great summer and thank you for supporting your community!





# Jonathan and Julia Harmon

## Artists

Dazzling, intricate, fascinating, unusual and breathtakingly beautiful are just a few of the adjectives used to describe both Jonathan and Julia Harmon's artistic jewelry creations.

Jonathan grew up living with the arts in Taos, New Mexico. His multi-faceted father, Cliff, did handcrafted woodwork and built wind tunnel test models for aerospace and movie props. He established a name for himself in the Taos area as a talented watercolor and acrylic artist as well. Mother, Barbara, was equally well known as a Taos painter in oil, acrylic, watercolor and other mediums. Jonathan incorporated both talented parents' interest in his pursuit of a career and in the arts. After completing his Bachelor's degree in Computer Science from New Mexico Tech in Socorro, NM, Jonathan began a four-decade professional career in Information Technology. He worked for companies like Data General and Hewlett-Packard.

The nature of technology is a constant environment of change, exploration, creation and adaptation. Jonathan takes this skill set partnered with his talent for imaginative design into his art. He has developed his own unique style in paintings and drawings in oil, acrylic, watercolor and ink. In the sculptural realm he creates tiny to medium size pieces, from jewelry to fantasy figures and geometric forms. Larger works are done in wood and bronze, while smaller works, as sculptural pendants, are brought to life in silver, bronze, and glass.

The other half of this magnificently creative team is Julia. Julia grew-up "making things". This was fostered by a rich environment provided by a number of her family members that were both crafters and artists. Surrounded by inspirational ideas and plenty of materials, young Julia was free to develop her creative side to her heart's content. She became so proficient in jewelry making that she sold her first piece of beaded jewelry at age 13. Julia loved music and science as well, excelling in both during her school years. She started a degree program at a scientific college but left before graduating due to family responsibilities.



As the children grew older Julia was able to nurture her creative side in jewelry design. She took classes, watched videos and read books on the topics she found of interest. Julia continually incorporates new ideas, materials, and techniques in her uniquely "one of kind" designs.

Today Julia is one of the most sought after jewelry instructors in the area. She teaches classes



throughout the Valley, has her work in two museum gift shops and is currently working with the new Artisans Creative Exchange (ACE), a group of Valley jewelry makers.

Both Jonathan and Julia are members of the Sonoran Arts League, and both participate in the annual Hidden in the Hills Studio Tour held every November, as well as teaching members of ACE. Julia and Jonathan team up in many of their jewelry creations, each possessing very specific gifts in their area of design.

Julia is a master in the ancient wirework techniques like 'Chain Maille', most notably Viking Chain work. Jonathan, on the other hand, is the expert in small sculptures and pendants, which often incorporate gemstones and beads.



To view a selection of Jonathan and Julia's jewelry creations visit their website at [www.harmonstudios.com](http://www.harmonstudios.com). Feel free to contact them for an appointment to see their collection or pursue a commissioned piece.

For more information on creating your own Arts Review, please contact Shea Stanfield at: [flowingquill@yahoo.com](mailto:flowingquill@yahoo.com)



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