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Gateway Park

New Police Station

Above is an areal view of the new El Mirage Police Station on El Mirage Road, just south of Gateway Park.

## Mayor's Message: Progress Continues on New Police Station

The last beam of the new police station's external structure was put in place in a 'topping off' ceremony June 18 amid the applause of contractors, City officials, Police Department staff and a host of other guests. Ceremony attendees were given the opportunity to sign the last beam just prior to its placement on the roof of the facil-

ity, a symbolic gesture that has become a tradition with D.L. Withers, the station's construction contractor.

Watching the station's progress during the past few months has been awe inspiring, and is a testament to the detailed planning and negotiations of a committee representing many City staff from police, engineering, public



Mayor Lana Mook

works, building safety, and technology services, along with representatives from D.L. Withers and Arrington Watkins, the station's architectural design firm.

With quality and cost-efficiency as their focus, committee members are now turning their attentions to the interior

**MORE MAYOR ON 2**

## City Water Rates to Stabilize Beginning in FY 2015



El Mirage business and residential water customers are generally aware at this juncture that water rates have increased during fiscal years 2012 and 2013. Such increases became necessary based on an extensive rate study conducted in 2010, which showed existing rates simply did not generate enough revenue to cover capital and operating expenditures for aging water infrastructure and the diminishing availability of quality drinking water. The need for these increases are evident in the construction of new waterlines and hydrants in the downtown area along Pablo, Tonya, and Soledad Streets, as well as River Road. In addition, construction of the Brisas well on the west side of "B" Street and just south of Windrose Avenue is directly attributable to the new water rate structure.

As the City enters fiscal year 2014 on July 1, water rates will increase as recommended by the 2010 rate study, bringing stability to the City's utility funds. The FY 2014 monthly increase is \$5.10. It is council's and staff's intent that water rates not increase for the next five year period, barring any unforeseen capital needs, capital requests, or unfunded mandates.

Thoughtful, measured financial decisions such as those involving customer water rates have put El Mirage on a path toward incremental growth and development. It is this path that Council believes will remediate future spending pressures and protect the City's financial self-sufficiency for years to come.

## Arterial Streets Scheduled for Pavement Treatment

The City will be applying a pavement treatment to preserve and extend the life of asphalt on arterial streets beginning June 24, with all work scheduled for completion by June 29. The roads will be re-striped once the pavement treatments are applied. Residents should expect delays and traffic restrictions during the pavement process. The roads scheduled for treatment are as follows:

- Dysart Road from Peoria Avenue north to Greenway Avenue
- Cactus Road from El Mirage Road east to Main Street
- Thompson Ranch Road from Grand Avenue northwest to El Mirage Road



## Improvements Coming to El Mirage Animal Control Response

The El Mirage Police Department has announced a new partnership designed to improve animal control services in the community. El Mirage and Surprise recently entered into an intergovernmental agreement that calls for Surprise Animal Control to respond to all animal-related calls in El Mirage including loose dogs, animal bites, and neglect reports considered non-emergency in nature. The new partnership means additional enforcement patrols and a more proactive response to animal incidences in El Mirage. Surprise Animal Control will begin serving El Mirage on July 1, 2013.

The change in animal control services reflects an extension of the professional partnership between the two cities, as well as their geographic proximity. Currently, the Surprise Police Department provides dispatch services for El Mirage Police and the El Mirage crime scene technician assists Surprise Police with some incidents.

El Mirage police officers will still respond in emergency situations and in other circumstances requiring their assistance. To request animal control services, call (623) 933-1341 or call 9-1-1 in an emergency.

How Much & How Often <small>Water to the outer edge of the plant's canopy and to the depth indicated. Watering frequency will vary depending on season, plant type, weather and soil.</small>		Seasonal Frequency — Days Between Waterings				Water This Deeply (Typical Root Depth)
		Spring Mar - May	Summer May - Oct	Fall Oct - Dec	Winter Dec - Mar	
Trees	Desert adapted	14-30 days	7-21 days	14-30 days	30-60 days	24-36 inches
	High water use	7-12 days	7-10 days	7-12 days	14-30 days	24-36 inches
Shrubs	Desert adapted	14-30 days	7-21 days	14-30 days	30-45 days	18-24 inches
	High water use	7-10 days	5-7 days	7-10 days	10-14 days	18-24 inches
Groundcovers & Vines	Desert adapted	14-30 days	7-21 days	14-30 days	21-45 days	8-12 inches
	High water use	7-10 days	2-5 days	7-10 days	10-14 days	8-12 inches
Cacti and Succulents		21-45 days	14-30 days	21-45 days	if needed	8-12 inches
Annuals		3-7 days	2-5 days	3-7 days	5-10 days	8-12 inches
Warm Season Grass		4-14 days	3-6 days	6-21 days	15-30 days	6-10 inches
Cool Season Grass		3-7 days	none	3-10 days	7-14 days	6-10 inches

These guidelines are for established plants (1 year for shrubs, 3 years for trees). Additional water is needed for new plantings or unusually hot or dry weather. Less water is needed during cool or rainy weather. Drip run times are typically 2 hours or more for each watering.

(Source: SRP)

## Adjust watering schedule for summer

As the temperature rises, residents will need to water more frequently. Make sure to water thoroughly and deeply at each watering. By watering this way, roots are encour-

aged to grow deep into the soil, where they will be better protected from the summer heat and dryness. To help determine how much water is needed for plants, see the

guidelines above.

For more information about landscape watering, visit the Water Use It Wisely website at <http://wateruseitwisely.com>.

**MAYOR,** From 1 elements of the station including flooring, furniture, and fitness equipment. Unlike many police departments, El Mirage PD has never been able to have fitness equipment on site. However, thanks to our voters, a fitness room will be an integral part of the new station and an important factor in maintaining the health and readiness of our officers.

In the not too distant future, residents will see solar panels being installed on the roof of the facility's employee parking area. The panels are expected to offset approximately 85% of the structure's electricity usage, as well as extend the life of police vehicles by protecting them from the sun.

As you drive along El Mirage Road, take a moment to view the new station in progress just south of Gateway Park. And be proud that you had a part in doing something extraordinary for the men and women who do an extraordinary job protecting us every day.



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# Signs, Signs Everywhere

Signs – Love ‘em or hate ‘em, they are a daily part of life. Signs can help get everyone where they need to go, advertise products and businesses, and move individuals to act a certain way. The El Mirage Police Department’s Code Enforcement Unit ensures public and private properties comply with established sign codes and ordinances.



Sign violations vary and may include yard sale signs on City-owned property, banners displayed without a proper City permit, and signs on City-maintained property. Yard sale signs placed in these areas are the most common violations in El Mirage. Such signs are only allowed on private property.

When code officers identify a sign violation, the property owner or resident may receive a written warning notice to correct the problem. If, upon re-inspection, the violation has not been resolved, a citation may be issued and a fine assessed. The primary goal is to gain voluntary compliance to

eliminate the violation. Signs improperly posted on City-owned property or located in the City right-of-way such as signs on light poles, sidewalks, or stop signs will be removed immediately.

The City of El Mirage encourages all residents to be community minded and take pride in the City.

Working together is the most effective way to keep neighborhoods healthy, safe, and inviting to all who work and live in El Mirage. For further information, visit the Police Department Code Enforcement web page at <http://www.cityofelmirage.org/index.aspx?nid=1193>. To report a graffiti crime in progress, dial 9-1-1.

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## El Mirage Firefighter Charities Forms Honor Guard Unit

Fire department honor guards represent a centuries old tradition dating back to the Roman Empire when the first fire brigade was formed around 6 A.D. Over the years, many such traditions have been established to honor what is now known as the modern fire department.

During last year's open house for the City's new fire station, members from the Daisy Mountain and Surprise honor guards volunteered to raise the colors. El Mirage Fire Department was very appreciative of these volunteers, who also helped the department identify a need for

its own honor guard to represent the City at important local events.

El Mirage Firefighter Charities is proud to announce the formation of the El Mirage Honor Guard, a first for the City. This select group of volunteers will perform at ceremonies including posting of the colors,

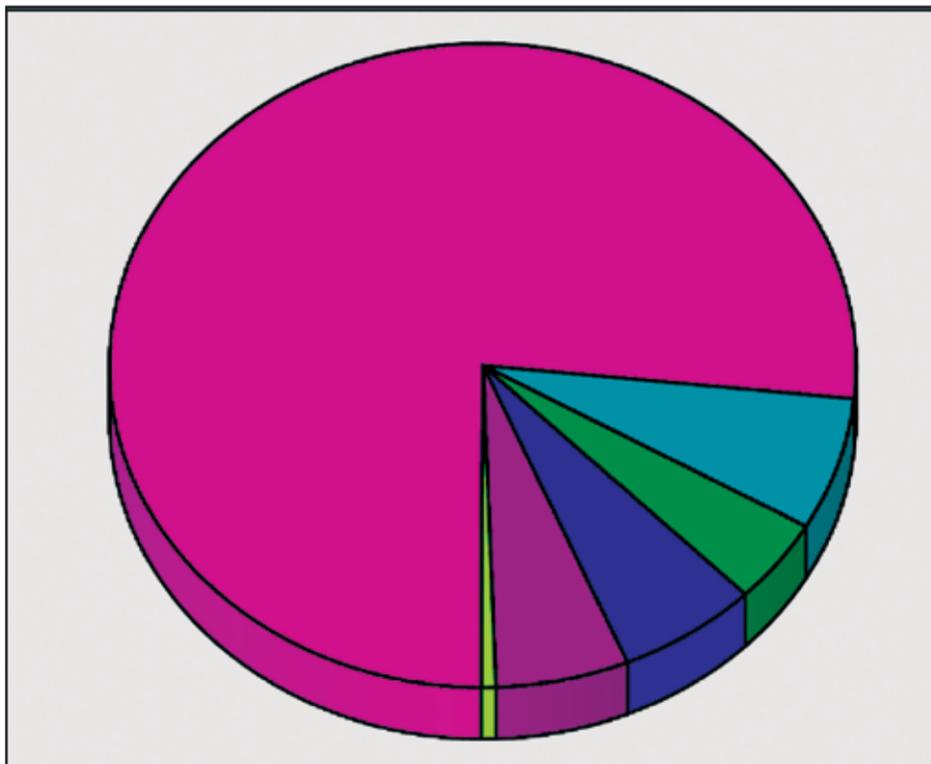
patriotic parades, public dedications, and the solemn duties associated with the funerals of fallen firefighters.

The mission of the El Mirage Honor Guard is to provide the appropriate level of dignity and respect in displaying the American and state flags, as well as honoring the

long-standing traditions of the fire service. The El Mirage Honor Guard has already participated in several firefighter funerals, local charity events, and color postings around the Valley. Neighboring honor guard units have generously loaned the El Mirage unit essential equipment and supplies

until the unit can acquire its own. Unit members have attended events and trainings such as the Glendale Honor Guard Symposium, which consisted of more than 16 hours of classroom and practical training provided by honor guards from Glendale and Luke Air Force Base.

## Analysis of Incidents for May 2013



■ False Alarm & False Call   
 ■ Hazardous Condition (No Fire)   
 ■ Service Call  
■ Fire   
 ■ Good Intent Call   
 ■ Rescue & Emergency Medical   
 ■ Service Incident

Fire Operations Division	
Fires	20
EMS Calls	252
False Alarms	14
Other Calls for Service	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>329</b>
Average Response time in El Mirage	00:05:07
Total Fire Loss	\$3,000
Fire/Emergency Medical Training Hours	299

**Community Involvement:**

- 5/4 – Apparatus display for Cinco de Mayo
- 5/5 – Installed One Child Car Seat
- 5/8 – Fire Extinguisher Training
- 5/15 – Fire Extinguisher Training
- 5/22 – Fire Extinguisher Training
- 5/29 – Fire Extinguisher Training

Fire, Building & Life Safety Division	
Permit applications received	38
Plan reviews completed	15
Building Inspections	310
Fire Prevention Inspections	2
Revenue	\$40,367

**Significant Activities:**

- May was Building Safety Month. Special activities were conducted to educate the community about the importance of building and fire safety.
- 42 El Mirage employees and 10 seniors participated in fire extinguisher training.
- A shoe and sock drive was held to benefit the Clothing Shop. Over 60 pairs of shoes and bags of socks were donated.

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(from left) Beth Simek, Mayor Lana Mook, Assistant Police Chief Terry McDonald, Officer Doug Jones, and Police Canine "Dax"

## Police Department Receives Donation for Canine Bulletproof Vest

Surprise Elementary PTA Council representative Beth Simek presented the Police Department with a \$500 donation toward purchase of a canine bulletproof vest during the May 21 City Council meeting. The donation was a special thank you from the PTA Council for the

Police Department's presence during the Council's 5K fund raiser last January. Throughout a very rainy race day, officers remained on site assisting more than 380 race participants and as many spectators, ensuring a safe, enjoyable event for everyone.

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found that more fires occur on the Fourth of July than any other day of the year.

The NFPA Fireworks Report indicates using consumer fireworks heightens the risk of injury and even death as follows:

- The risk of fireworks injury was highest for children ages 5-14.
- Sparklers and novelties, which are allowed to be sold in Arizona, accounted for 38% of the 8,600 emergency room fireworks injuries in 2010.

For more information on fireworks and other fire safety information, please visit <http://www.nfpa.org>.



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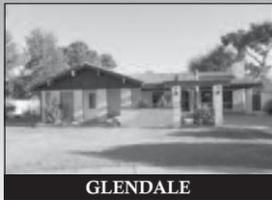
The use of fireworks within the City of El Mirage is prohibited and the sale of fireworks is prohibited to persons under the age of 16. Violation of this City ordinance is a Class 1 misdemeanor. Additionally, anyone using pro-

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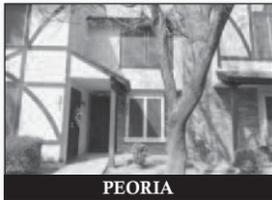
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**PEORIA**  
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Case# 023-265438



**PEORIA**  
Cactus and 75th Ave  
3BR/2BA • 1239 sqft  
Case# 023-286203



**PEORIA**  
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The smoke detectors

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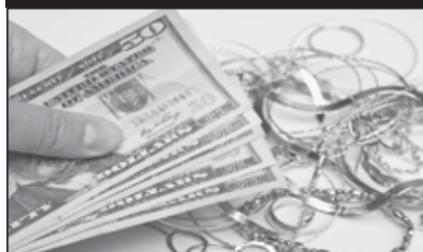
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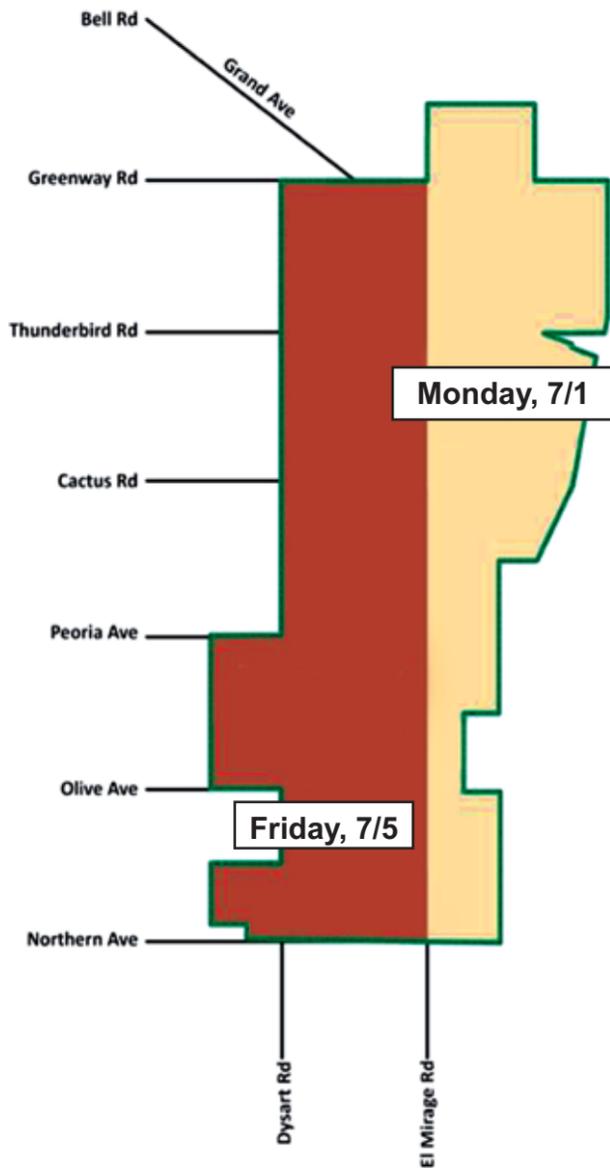
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# F-35 Arrival at Luke Air Force Base

## Commonly Asked Questions – Part 2

This is the second of a two-part series of commonly asked questions regarding the F-35's arrival at Luke Air Force Base.

### How many people have been hired to help with the F-35A?

The hiring process for staff working with the F-35 is underway. The exact number of employees to be hired is under consideration by leadership. Luke will hire employees based on the needs of the airframe, keeping in mind long-term training needs so that the wing can effectively train the Air Force's newest generation of fighter pilots.

### What important projects are expected to start up or be completed over the next few months?

Luke has started construction on the first F-35 squadron operations building, its aircraft maintenance unit facility, and an academic training center. The academic training center is scheduled to be completed in early 2014; whereas, the other

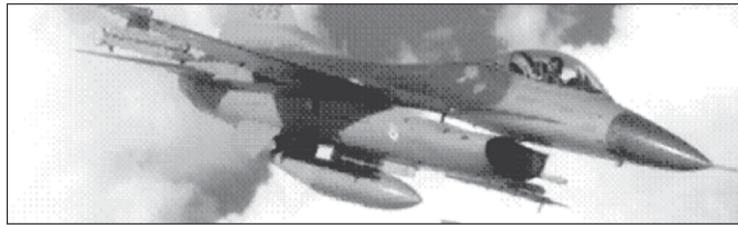
two other venues are scheduled to finish construction late this year. The facilities will serve as the home of the first squadron of F-35's at Luke, continuing the base's tradition of training world-class fighter pilots and maintainers.

### When is the construction expected to be completed?

The academic training center is scheduled to complete in late summer 2014. The first pilot training squadron facility and its aircraft maintenance unit are scheduled to finish construction late this year. The contract process for a second pilot training facility and AMU is underway and is expected to continue through 2014.

### What changes other than construction will the arrival of the F-35A bring to Luke AFB?

The core mission of the base will not change. Over time, Luke will likely incorporate more international partners into its training,



but has done some of this at the base already. Two types of aircraft will be flown at Luke, increasing the complexity of both operations and maintenance of aircraft. This has previously occurred over many years. Externally, it should not be much different from the current mission with the exception of the additional airframe.

### How involved are international air forces on the project?

The base is expecting pilots from at least seven F-35 partner nations to potentially train on the Lightning II at Luke. This follows a long history of Luke serving as a training home to partner nations on other aircraft, as it does now with the F-16.

### How will the arrival of the

### F-35A change the personnel footprint at Luke AFB?

The aircraft movements of F-16 to F-35 will positively change the footprint of personnel at Luke as those transfers happen. Current plans show the arrival of the three incoming F-35 units will bring in 500-700 more personnel than are slated to leave Luke in support of the Holloman transfer.

### Will the F-35A at Luke mean more deployments for Luke personnel?

Deployments for F-35-trained professionals are based on international and domestic needs for the aircraft and its mission. Because future needs and threats cannot be predicted, it is difficult to know

what the deployment requirements will look like. As a wing, Luke will ensure its staff of F-35 professionals trains pilots and maintainers sufficiently enough to be able to handle threats if called upon to do so on a deployment.

### When will the public be able to see the F-35A?

The earliest scheduled opportunity to see an F-35 will be when they are permanently delivered to the base in spring 2014. The planes have landed at Luke in the past, but this was done in a way that is standard practice for other military aircraft. Military aircraft not assigned to Luke land at the base for a number of reasons including fuel, maintenance or crew rest among others. F-16's from Luke follow the same practice at times, for safety purposes, when travelling around the U.S.

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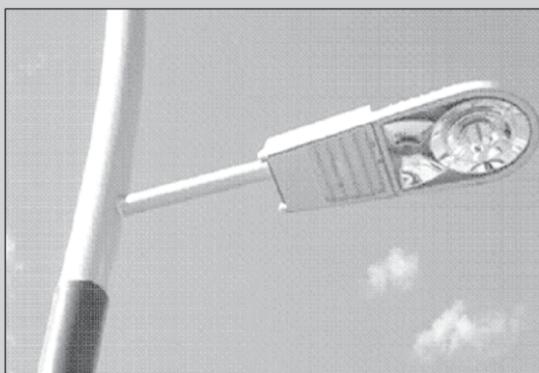
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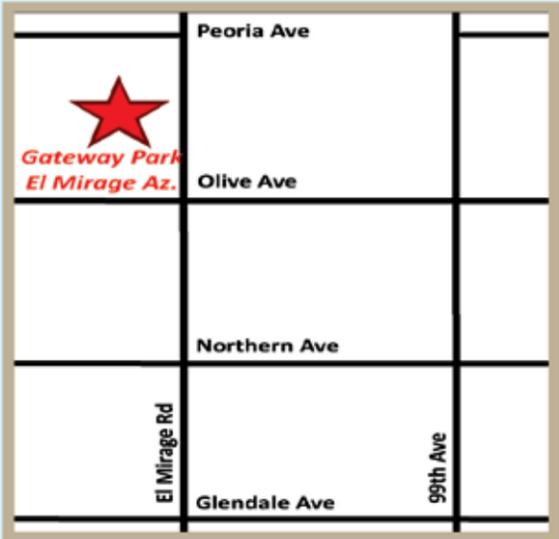
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**YOUTH SUMMER PROGRAM – JUNE 3 – JULY 25 PH. (623) 583-2137**

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**Computer Basics – Price: \$25.** Learn computer basics - M/S Word, Internet, and E-mail.

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**GED – Price: \$30.** Mon. – Tues. 10:00 am – 12:00 noon through April 2013. GED Exam Prep.

**Rosetta Stone – Price: \$25.** Times vary. Basic English vocabulary using computer.

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**KIDS**  
*Summer Drop-in Craft Time*  
July 1 and 15 (Mondays) 2 pm  
Ages 6 and up. Drop in between 2 and 4 pm to make a simple summer craft.

*Intro to Improv for Kids and Teens*  
July 25 (Thursday) 4 pm  
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**TEENS**  
*Silk Screen T-shirts*  
July 12 (Friday) 1 pm  
Ages 11-19. Express your artistic side through the art of silk screen printing. Learn basics with Red Rohall. T-shirts and supplies provided. Seating limited. Registration begins June 24.

**ALL AGES**  
*Basic Computer Help*  
July 5, 12, 19, 26 (Fridays) 10 am  
Need basic help with computers, completing on-line forms or setting up an e-mail account? Stop by the library for help (English and Spanish).

*Family Story Time (English and Spanish)*  
July 6, 13, 20, 27 (Saturdays) 10 am  
Bring the family for fun and reading time. Stories and activities.



**Ongoing Activities**

**Co-ed Adult Soccer**  
Games played at Gateway Park. For information, go to [www.azcoedsoccer.com](http://www.azcoedsoccer.com) or 1-800-BSA-0886.

**Benfica Youth Soccer**  
Mon – Thurs., 6 pm – 8 pm year round  
For information, go to [www.azbenfica.org](http://www.azbenfica.org) or 1-800-BSA-0886.

**White Tanks Little League**  
Please send inquiries regarding the upcoming season to [Whitetanksll@msn.com](mailto:Whitetanksll@msn.com) or (623) 241-4602.

**El Mirage Martial Arts Academy**  
Ages 6–12 learn traditional martial arts and life skills including “stranger danger.” \$45/month, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 6 pm – 7 pm.  
Ages 13+ train at their own speed in weaponless defense. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 7 pm – 8 pm.  
For information, contact Richard Gutkosky (623) 628-6725.

**West Valley Youth Football**  
Ages 5 – 15 learn flag, tackle, cheer, dance, and step.  
For information, go to [www.wvffaz.com](http://www.wvffaz.com) or [wvffayouthfootball11@gmail.com](mailto:wvffayouthfootball11@gmail.com).

**NSA Adult Softball**  
Co-ed softball leagues play Friday and Sunday evenings. Next league begins in August.  
NEW! Men's League – Sunday nights, \$325 Intro fee + \$25 sanction fee. For information, go to [chris@playnsaaz.com](mailto:chris@playnsaaz.com) or [tim@playnsaaz.com](http://tim@playnsaaz.com)

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Property and Evidence Division  
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E13050115	ROCHA BAKER	WIG
E13051152	UNKNOWN	BAG W/ MISC. CLOTHING
E13051450	LUIS HERNANDEZ	BICYCLE
E13051489	RICARDO PRECIADO	POCKET KNIFE
E13052501	UNKNOWN	BAG W/ MISC. CONTENTS
E13052703	ISAAC HOUSTON	BICYCLE
E13052802	UNKNOWN	POWER WASHER
E13052836	UNKNOWN	I-POD
E13052879	AKEEM MALCOLM	BACKPACK W/ CLOTHING
E13060097	UNKNOWN	BACKPACK W/ MISC. CONTENTS

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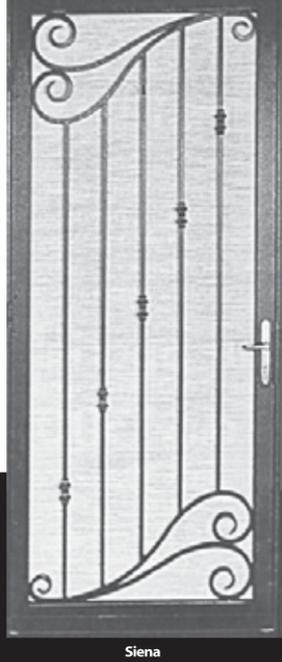


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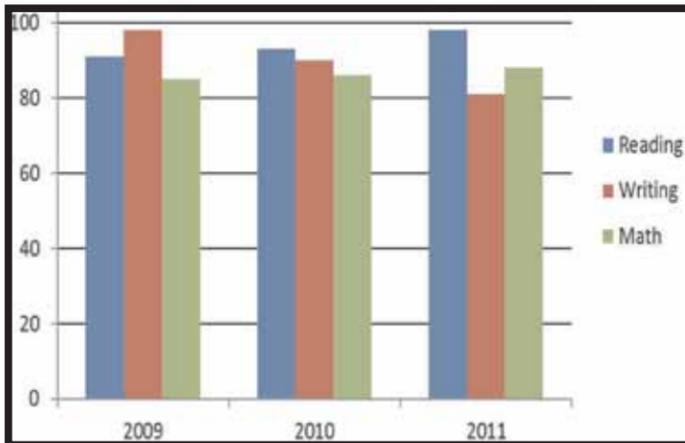
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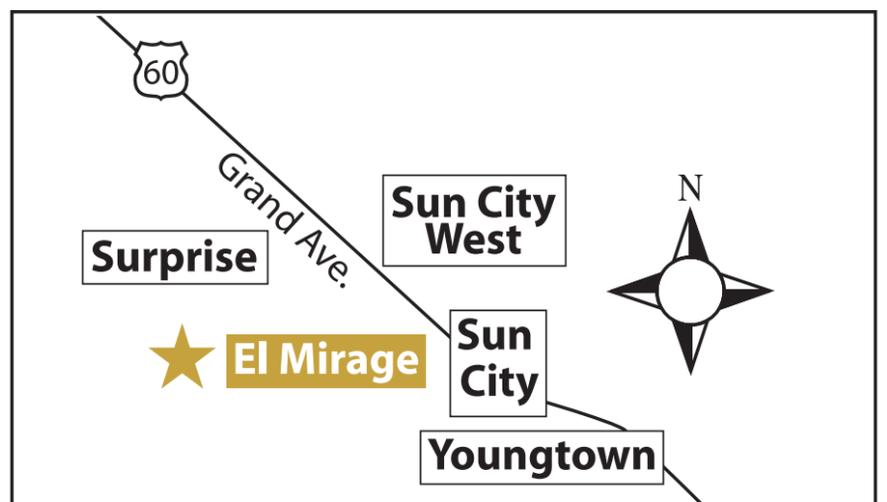
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