

# El Mirage News

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## El Mirage Police Department Introduces New Canine Team

The El Mirage Police Department recently implemented a police canine program consisting of a patrol officer and one dual purpose canine. "This team is a tool that will assist the City of El Mirage with its goals of improving safety for the officers and the community we serve," Police Chief Steve Campbell stated.

Officer Doug Jones and his K-9 partner, Dax, a 1½ year-old Belgian Malinois, started at the Arizona Department of Corrections Canine Academy in March and graduated this past May. The team spent 9 weeks training in

drug detection and criminal apprehension. Dax, who was one of the youngest dogs in the academy, quickly rose from the junior class to the senior class based on his abilities in drug detection and patrol work. At the time of graduation, the team earned certification from the National Police Canine Association. Officer Jones and Dax are now responding to activity in El Mirage and like other teams, are available to assist surrounding cities in time of need.

A crucial component to a successful canine program is the bond that develops between a handler

and his dog. Officer Jones said that he and Dax grew closer throughout the academy and learned from each other the importance of working as a team. Officer Jones stated that during their training in criminal apprehension, he had to learn to trust Dax and his ability to do his job. Their partnership is more than just a canine team. Dax lives with Officer Jones and his family, allowing for continued bonding and developing trust. This relationship is vital since Dax could be called upon in life threatening situations.

According to Chief Campbell,



Officer Jones and Dax hone their skills.

"Canine teams provide more to a city than just drug detection or finding bad guys. They are good ambassadors between the Police Department and the com-

munity." Campbell stated the department has been contacted by several neighborhood groups for presentations in the coming months.

## City Leads Initiative to Reduce Healthcare Costs

Effective July 1, 2012, the City of El Mirage is joined by Apache Junction, Avondale, and Youngtown as the first member cities in the Arizona Metropolitan Trust. The newly formed Trust provides medical benefits, using the popular Arizona Blue Cross Blue Shield network, to approximately 1865 employees and their families from across the member cities. By joining the Trust, the City of El Mirage reduces its annual medical benefit costs by approximately \$75,000.

El Mirage took the lead in forming the trust under the general direction of City Manager Dr. Spencer A. Isom and the leadership of Human Resource Director Sandra King. Mayor Lana Mook, Councilman Jack Palladino, and Finance Director Robert Nilles worked



Dr. Spencer A. Isom, City Manager; Sharon Antes, Executive Assistant; Sandra King, Human Resources Director, Councilman Roy Delgado, Mayor Lana Mook and Councilman Jack Palladino are recognized as founding partners in the Trust.

closely with Ms. King to develop this multi-city initiative. Dr. Isom commends Ms. King, the Mayor, and the Councilman for their vision in establishing the Trust stating, "This is exactly the type of innovation

the member cities needed to help stabilize the ever-increasing cost of healthcare in the public sector."

Cities, towns, counties, fire districts, municipal corporations and other similar political subdivisions may

be eligible to join the Trust. For more information on the Arizona Metropolitan Trust or to apply for membership, contact Collins & Associates, Inc. at (928) 753-4700 or via e-mail at erinp@ecollinsandassociates.com.

## Bill Gentry Park Hosted Tournament of Champions

Bill Gentry Park, home of White Tanks Little League, was selected as the host site of the championship game for the 2012 Arizona District 2 Little League Tournament of Champions (TOC) held on June 22. The park also hosted a first round matchup on June 14 between the home team from White Tanks Little League and the visiting Avondale Little League.

The Division 2 Tournament of Champions is an annual single-elimination tournament featuring the first place team from each of 15 participating leagues. Games are held at multiple sites, but not all leagues are lucky enough to host them. "We were tremendously excited and honored to host two tournament games, especially the championship game. This was a big deal for our league, our community, and especially our kids and their families," stated White Tanks

Little League President Brent Hines.

White Tanks Little League is a relative newcomer to Division 2 and the TOC. The League recently concluded only the fourth spring season since its inception, but the community has taken notice. A commitment to quality instruction and a family-first atmosphere have led to impressive growth. Seventy-five kids, ranging in ages from 4-16, played on a team in 2009. This spring, there were 253 participants, many of whom planning to return for fall instruction.

A collaborative relationship with the City of El Mirage has helped the league immensely. Bill Gentry Park underwent a complete remodel during the winter and the field received rave reviews. The improvements included rotating the field away from a

**MORE PARK ON 9**



The City Council Public Safety Sub committee led by Mayor Lana Mook, Vice-Mayor David Shapera, and Councilman Jack Palladino (center) demonstrate the City Council's support of El Mirage Police officers and Firefighters through the new Fire Station and Police Department facilities that will open in summer 2012 and fall 2013 respectively. Dax, the new K-9 unit for the Police Department, also makes his debut (center).

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## Mayor's Message: An Engaged City Council Equals a Strong City

Local leadership has great influence on the quality of life in every community. In El Mirage, the City Council works diligently to identify strategies and enact policies to improve the quality of life for every citizen. Just as plants are more likely to thrive amid good soil and plenty of sunlight, El Mirage residents are more likely to prosper when Council decisions help keep them safe and

healthy, as well as encourage their engagement in community activities. Engagement is also one of the Council's most important responsibilities. It involves Council members' participation in numerous local and regional organizations to build partnerships that contribute to the continuing transformation of El Mirage into the vibrant, welcoming place it is destined to be.

As your Mayor, I serve

on several regional boards throughout the Valley. Among the largest of these is the Luke West Valley Council that I co-chair along with General J.D. Harris. Luke West Valley Council was established in the mid-1980s to address many of the challenges, successes, and community issues concerning the operation of Luke Air Force Base in the West Valley. The Council is made up of elected officials

from twelve cities, along with Luke Air Force Base officials, members of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, and governmental representatives from Sun City and Sun City West. I am also proud to serve on the League of Arizona Cities & Towns Executive Committee and the Valley Metro RPTA Board of Directors. The League's mission is to represent the interests of cities and towns before the Arizona legislature, as well as provide education, legal assistance, and shared services to its member communities. The League's Executive Committee consists of 25 mayors from across the State. The Valley Metro RPTA Board is made up of representatives from 15 cities and Maricopa County who help guide transportation solutions that collaboratively serve each member community.

Vice-Mayor David Shapera is very involved in organizations that directly impact the quality of education provided to area children. He is a member of the Thompson Ranch Parent Teacher School As-



Mayor Lana Mook

sociation (PTSA) and the Dysart Elementary School Parent Teacher Association (PTA). Such organizations are tasked with developing unified efforts among educators and the general public to ensure children are given the greatest advantages possible with respect to their physical, mental, and social education. Another of Vice-Mayor Shapera's primary interests is public safety. He serves on the Council subcommittees for the new fire and police stations, and is dedicated to ensuring that El Mirage has the level of facilities necessary to meet the health and safety needs of every citizen.

Councilman Roy Del-

gado represents the City's local and regional interests as Chairman of the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) of Maricopa County. The CDAC acts in an advisory capacity to the County Board of Supervisors regarding matters that include housing affordability and community services for low and moderate-income individuals in the ten communities represented on the CDAC. Councilman Delgado is also very active in matters concerning the County library system and is a strong advocate for expanded library services for El Mirage and surrounding communities.

Council engagement as detailed here outlines just some of the ways your City Council is working to build a great future for El Mirage. Next month's issue of the El Mirage News will cover some additional ways other Council members are engaging stakeholders to make our community needs known. I encourage you to join us in your own ways of engagement in support of El Mirage and your future in it.

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News from the El Mirage Fire Department

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## El Mirage Fire Department Launches Child Car Seat Inspection Program

The El Mirage Fire Department recently announced the launch of its Child Car Seat Inspection Program. The program provides free child car seat inspections by El Mirage firefighters certified as Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPST).

Three El Mirage firefighters recently completed the four-day national CPST course. The course combines classroom instruction and hands-on training, culminating in a community safety seat check-up event hosted by the Maricopa County Department of Public



Firefighter Brandon Oller installs a car seat.

Health's SNACK program.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, child safety seats reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71 percent for infants and by 54 percent for toddlers in passenger cars.

Due to the fact that these car seat technicians are also active firefighters, this service is only available by appointment. If you would like to have your child's car seat installation inspected, call the El Mirage Fire Department at (623) 583-7968 to schedule an appointment.

### Fire Operations Division

Analysis of incidents for May:  
El Mirage Fire Units responded to the following incidents during the month of May 2012.

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Structure fires.....          | 4        |
| Other fires.....              | 8        |
| EMS calls.....                | 213      |
| False Alarms.....             | 13       |
| Other calls for service ..... | 73       |
| TOTAL.....                    | 298      |
| Total Fire Loss =             | \$20,130 |

Average Response Time to calls in El Mirage = 00:04:47  
Training Hours = 893 hours

Significant Incidents/Activities  
• 5/19 - Treated a patient from an Officer involved shooting.  
• 5/26 - Apartment fire on North Primrose. Treated 2 patients for smoke inhalation and sustained 1 firefighter injury.

## Fire Department offers Wildfire Season Safety Tips for residents

At the height of wildfire season (March - June), Arizona is battling several brush, grass and forest fires. In 2011, Arizona experienced its worst year for wildfires with nearly 2,000 fires that scorched more than one million acres across the state.

A wildfire does not have to burn everything in its path. Removing debris and maintaining landscaping are important first steps to wildfire prevention.

Below are steps that

also help reduce the risk of property becoming fuel for a wildfire:

- Clear leaves and other debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks. This prevents embers from igniting property.
- Create a "fire-free" area within five feet of the home, using non-flammable landscaping materials such as rocks, pavers and/or high-moisture content annuals and perennials.
- Remove dead vegetation from under decks and within 10 feet of the



house.

- Remove flammable materials (firewood stacks, propane tanks, dry vegetation) within 30 feet

of the property foundation and outbuildings including garages and sheds. If

something can catch fire, do not let it touch a house, deck or porch.

• If there are trees on the property, prune them so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.

• Do not let debris and lawn cuttings linger. Dispose of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.

• When planting, choose slow-growing, carefully placed shrubs and trees so the area can be more

easily maintained.

• Landscape with native and less flammable plants. A firewise landscaping and plants list is available on the firewise website at www.firewise.org.

• Keep lawns hydrated and maintained. Dry grass and shrubs are wildfire fuels.

Learn more about how to keep loved ones safe and reduce risk for wildfire damage at www.firewise.org.

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## Police Department to Enforce Curfew

Summer break is here and the El Mirage Police Department would like to remind residents of the City curfew ordinance. For persons under the age of 18, curfew is 10 p.m., unless accompanied by a parent or other lawful adult,

or during an approved activity such as a school, church or work event. The Police Department will enforce curfew laws, possibly resulting in issuing citations.

Additional information may be found at www.cityofelmirage.org/police.

## Chief Campbell Appointed to State Board

El Mirage Police Chief Steven Campbell has been appointed to the Board of Directors for the Arizona Peace Officers Standards and Training Board (AZPOST). Appointed by Arizona Governor Jan Brewer, Chief Campbell will serve a one-year term through August 2013. The AZPOST Board is

comprised of 13 members from Arizona police departments, sheriff's departments, corrections, as well as the Arizona Attorney General and community members.

AZPOST certifies sworn police officers, correctional officers, and law enforcement academies within the state, with the ultimate goal

of ensuring minimum standards of integrity, competence, and professionalism. The appointment of Chief Campbell speaks to the high level of professionalism and integrity he demonstrates and requires of all El Mirage Police Department employees.

Congratulations, Chief Campbell!



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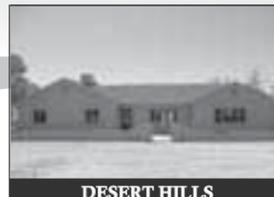
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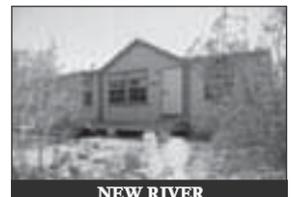
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### May 2012 Home Sales in City

17 homes sold in El Mirage in May according to information provided by David Hancock of Realty ONE Group of Tempe based on Phoenix Multiple Listing Service (MLS) data. The average sale price was \$98,057 or about \$58 per square foot. There are 14 active listings in the El Mirage. Homes sold in May include:

| Address               | Sq Ft | Price   | Address                 | Sq Ft | Price   |
|-----------------------|-------|---------|-------------------------|-------|---------|
| 12210 W Aster Dr      | 1,090 | 85,000  | 12729 W Pershing St     | 1,615 | 105,000 |
| 13043 W Via Camille   | 1,530 | 95,000  | 11501 N 123rd Ln        | 1,961 | 135,600 |
| 13806 N 126th Ln      | 3,291 | 169,000 | 12405 W Berry Ln        | 2,635 | 160,000 |
| 11718 W Poinsettia Dr | 1,383 | 80,500  | 12011 W Windrose Dr     | 1,238 | 85,000  |
| 11790 W Windrose Ave  | 2,194 | 81,500  | 11813 W Wethersfield Rd | 1,068 | 68,100  |
| 15100 N Luna St       | 1,978 | 100,000 | 12828 W Ash St          | 1,691 | 122,000 |
| 12318 W Berry Ln      | 1,961 | 140,000 | 13318 N 126th Ave       | 1,776 | 70,000  |
| 12517 W Lisbon Ln     | 1,534 | 80,000  | 12334 W Charter Oak Rd  | 1,106 | 65,000  |
|                       |       |         | 12802 W Cherry Hills Dr | 1,832 | 95,000  |

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|------------|---------------------------------|-----------|
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| SERVICE    | Arrington Watkins Architects    | Phoenix   |
| SERVICE    | Beyond Express II               | El Mirage |
| RESTAURANT | Casa Tarasca                    | El Mirage |
| REALTY     | Ken Meade Realty, Inc.          | Sun City  |
| RETAIL     | Laser Options I, LLC            | Phoenix   |
| CONTRACTOR | Mira Bella Builders             | Peoria    |
| MOBILE     | MJ & JJ Enterprises             | Sun City  |
| RETAIL     | R&B Auto Sales                  | El Mirage |
| RETAIL     | Redbox Automated Retail LLC     | El Mirage |
| CONTRACTOR | Reliance Build, Inc.            | Chandler  |
| MOBILE     | Stewart Detailing, Inc.         | Phoenix   |
| CONTRACTOR | Summer Breeze Pool Services LLC | Peoria    |
| CONTRACTOR | Summerwind Solar LLC            | Phoenix   |
| REALTY     | Sweet Arizona Real Estate       | Phoenix   |

## EL MIRAGE

### Fall Classic Car Shows

Friday, Sept. 28th, 2012 - 6 - 9 p.m.  
Hispanic Heritage Celebration

Friday, Oct. 26th, 2012 - 6 - 9 p.m.  
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The Community Emergency Notification System (CENS), also known as Reverse 9-1-1, is a rapid emergency notification system launched in the Maricopa County region in 2004. The

system utilizes the 9-1-1 database to contact homes or business owners in a specific geographic area during times of emergency; informing them in English, Spanish and TTY (hearing impaired) of the nature of the situation and what steps to take to address it. Any emergency agency in the Maricopa County region has access to CENS, but it can only be activated for defined emergencies, such as fires, public safety threats, flash

floods, hazardous material spills, police incidents, and endangered children or elderly persons.

Historically, the system was limited to the ability to notify only land lines (hard-wired) phones listed in the 9-1-1 database. In late 2010, a self-registration web page was developed to enable residents to register cell or Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) phones for notifications with a physical address of the user's choosing.

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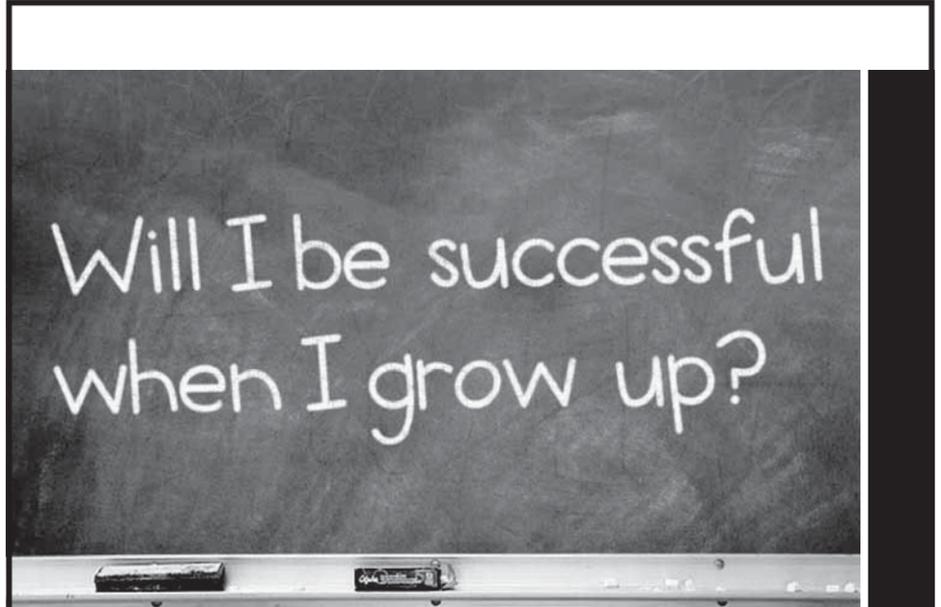
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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## EL MIRAGE BRANCH LIBRARY JULY 2012 PROGRAMS

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### 2012 Summer Reading Program

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#### CHILDREN

##### ARIZONA STORY TIME

July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 (Tuesdays) 10 AM

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#### ALL AGES

##### FAMILY MOVIE

July 12 (Thursday) 4 PM

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#### TEENS

##### TEEN BOOK CLUB

July 11 (Wednesday) 2 PM

Ages 12-18. Discuss what you are reading with other book loving teens! Learn about new bestselling teen books. Snacks provided.

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July 12 (Thursday) 1 PM

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July 18 (Wednesday) 1 PM

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#### ADULTS

##### US ROUTE 89, ARIZONA'S MAIN STREET

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Marie is 16 and is from Germany. Her Mom is a Teacher and her Dad is a Forwarding Agent. Marie has a 12 yr old sister named Charlotte and 2 foster brothers aged 9 and 14. Her town of Bad Sooden-Allendorf is famous as a Spa destination and has a history of producing and selling salt. Marie is an active Christian and would like to attend Church with her host family. Her main hobbies are swimming, girl scouts, singing in a choir, running, books, playing the guitar and reading. Her favorite subjects in school are History and English. She sings in the school choir. Marie has been a scout for 8 years and a group leader for 2 years. Her group consists of 8 boys aged between 12 and 14. She helps set up the nativity scene at her church each year. Marie works part time at the local library. She also belongs to a swimming club where she trains younger members. She would love to join a swim team during her year in the USA. Please consider Marie to be part of your family for the 2012-2013 school year.

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*-Julie Richard, CEO & President of the West Valley Arts Council*

The study was conducted by Americans for the Arts and supported by The Ruth Lilly Fund of Americans for the Arts

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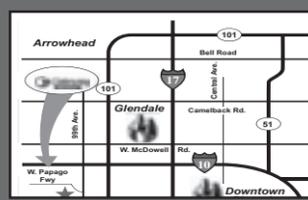
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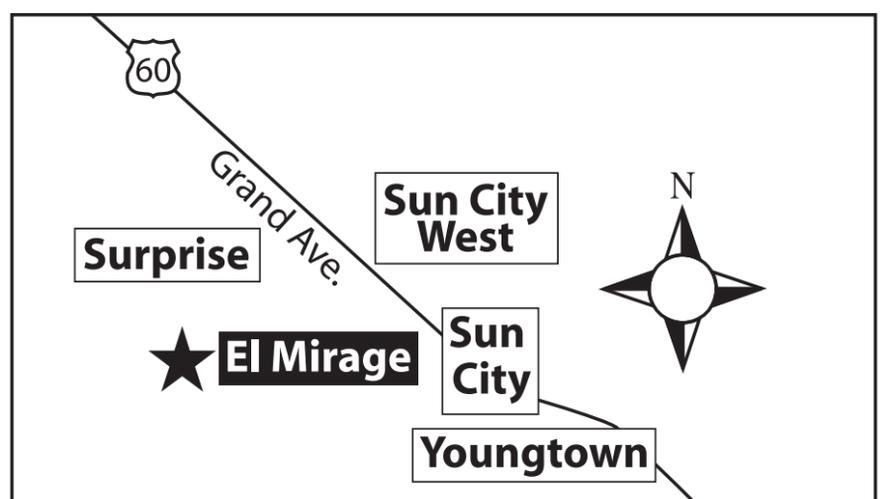
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