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# **PROVIDENT PARTNERS REALTY** SOLD TO COLDWELL BANKER REAL ESTATE

Provident Partners Realty, Munds Park standard for a business that contributes back to the community, has been SOLD to Coldwell Banker Northland in a transaction that culminated on June 30, 2022. Business owners Bill and Dee Spain, who have been staples in Munds Park for thirty-years, sold the business to Coldwell Banker after considering a sale for several years among potential interested buyers.

"I wanted to be sure that the company that purchased Provident Partners would have the same commitment to the community that we have always demonstrated," said Bill Spain, founder and designated broker of Provident. I found that devotion to community from the Coldwell Banker people."

"As the founder of the Munds Park Business Alliance back in 2009, right after the devastating recession caused by the real estate and mortgage

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PINEWOOD SANITARY DISTRICT ANNOUNCES CRITICAL IMPROVEMENTS

After nearly ten years of planning and preparation, the Pinewood Sanitary District received approval from The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) to expand to the west side of Munds Park and offer sewer services to all property owners on the west side of the freeway. The move comes after many years of engineering studies, analysis, and contemplation of how the district should expand service to the west side while continuing the yearly expansion of services on the east side of Munds Park.

Over the past few years, hundreds of properties have joined the sewer district as new homes

were built throughout Munds Park. Businesses have been added and have joined the district so that nearly every property in the east side commercial district is now part of the Pinewood Sanitary District. Now the west side has the opportunity to join the district as well. As septic systems age out and cease to function properly, with some failing, they are forced to join the PSD district and go onto the sewer system. There are costs associated with that requirement, including construction costs, hook-up fees, capacity fees, and ultimately, the \$50.57 operation and maintenance fee that every property owner must

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DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
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Every Monday	AA Meetings hosted at Munds Park Community Church	17670 S Munds Ranch Rd	7 pm
Every Thursday	Spread the Bread - Get some for your neighbors too!	17670 S Munds Ranch Rd	10 am
Saturday, July 16	<b>Pinewood Property Owners Association</b> Annual Meeting - The public is encouraged to attend	395 Pinewood Blvd	1 pm
Tuesday, July 19	Pinewood Fire District Board Meeting - Public Welcome	475 E Pinewood Blvd	3 pm
Saturday, July 23	Cruz's Crusaders Dog Adoption Event by Kota's Coffee	17680 S Munds Ranch Rd	10 am - 2 pm
Tuesday, August 2	Pinewood Fire Department Auxiliary Members Meeting - Public Welcome!	475 E Pinewood Blvd	6:30 pm
Thursday, August 11	Pinewood Sanitary District Board Meeting - Public Welcome	18075 Fairway Dr.	3 pm
Wednesday, August 17	Munds Park <b>Community Watch</b>	475 E Pinewood Blvd	6:30 pm

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## A MESSAGE FROM MUTS

#### By Larry Metzler

There have been campers at the Iron Springs Trailhead. Camping and campfires are prohibited at the Pinewood (240 Turn Around) and the Iron Springs Trailheads. If you see people camping and/or campfires at the trailheads, call the Coconino National Forest Service (928-527-3552).



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Not Interested in Living in Munds Park

I was in Munds Park for the 4th. My wife and I were looking to buy a home in such a beautiful location. We went to the parade and people in the parade were yelling F--- Joe Biden, while sporting flags and pretending to be patriots. When did it become ok to say that about the president? I know we have freedom of speech, and I have the freedom of speech to call heavy people fat, but I was taught years ago by my mother that, that was not ok. Needless to say my wife and I are not interested in living in such a hateful bigoted environment. You may want to let your community know that just because they can say something does not mean they should. It is not canceling it is just being polite.

Carol and Barry Smith Scottsdale, Arizona

#### **Concerned Munds Park Driver**

The open space is inviting. so is the weather. Hikers have "rules." They walk on the right. They yield to horses, ATV s, bicycles, and dogs on too-long leashes. Just about everything, including a faster hiker, is allowed to pass on their left. It's a safety thing.

When you're on a paved road without a decent, roomy, shoulder and no sidewalk, you walk on the left, facing all oncoming traffic. This allows you to see cars, and hopefully, they see you. If they appear to be coming too close, you have time to take evasive action, walking single file, moving to your left and out of their path.

Unless you are on a path in the forest, you are on a Munds Park road.

You are not hiking—you're walking on a road. Treat it as such and face the traffic!

Pamela Keating Munds Park, AZ

## 2022 PINEWOOD PLAYERS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

The Pinewood Players Board of Directors met on June 20th and confirmed that the 2022 Pinewood Players Scholarship of \$2000 will be awarded to Curtis "CJ" Hansen. Curtis's sister Maggie won a Pinewood Players scholarship award in 2019.

CJ is a recent graduate of Pinnacle High School in Phoenix, AZ, earning a 3.7 unweighted, 4.2 weighted GPA. He was a member of the National Honor Society and a nominee for the Pinnacle's Finest Award. He competed on the varsity cross-country and wrestling teams at Pinnacle, was a leader in the NSUMC Youth Group, and volunteered with 1 Mission. He also worked summer jobs at the



Curtis "CJ" Hansen

Pinewood Country Club in the Activities Center and as a server.

CJ has been involved in various theatrical endeavors, including Pinnacle's Finest Contest and NSUMC's The Music Man and Christmas Play productions. He also attended four Pinewood Players Youth Drama Camps appearing in Wipeout, Zombie Nights, Totally Awesome 80's and Fiddler on the Roof. He told us that he has had a "love/hate" relationship with being on the stage, which he calls both "thrilling and terrifying," but credits his stage experiences with teaching him courage and improving his public speaking ability.

Curtis plans to attend Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, CA to study Computer Science and Business.

Each year Pinewood Players awards up to two \$2000 Scholarships to deserving students with strong connections to Munds Park. Curtis and his family have been great supporters of Pinewood Players throughout the years. We are very proud and pleased to award this year's Scholarship to Curtis.

Pinewood Players, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization bringing cultural opportunities to all ages. Each summer the Pinewood Players entertain the community by presenting live theatre. Pinewood Players provides various venues where children and adults learn about the performing arts through participation in workshops, drama camps and plays of all kinds. Pinewood Players is open to the public and serves the entire community of Munds Park. Visit our website: www. pinewoodplayers.com for more information about the organization and events.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Pinewood News is always interested in feedback from our community and welcome comments on any subject or article written.

The Pinewood News will attempt to publish every letter received, except for those that are an invasion of privacy or libelous. Letters must be signed and include an address and phone number. Letters may be edited for space and clarity.

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## PINEWOOD SANITARY DISTRICT

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pay for their use of the sewer system. Businesses and households alike have to pay their own hook-up fees, construction fees and \$1500 capacity fee per parcel.

With the west side properties joining the sewer system, the same fees will apply proportioned to individual parcels and apportioned to the RV park model sites. The new RV park owners, Inspire Communities, have signaled they are hooking up now. The sewer district has also been informed in writing that the Shuster properties also plan to hook-up to the sewer district immediately. The only parcels not hooking up at this time include Pinewood Partners 23 acres, phase 1, 1A, and 2 of the RV park and phase 5 of the land owned by Shuster Properties. Those parcels will be considered and factored into the District upon ADEQ enforcement.

As the district expands, we also face the grim reality of an aging plant that will require immediate renovations to keep up with the available technology and upgrade the existing obsolescence of the equipment or replace equipment that is aging out. One of the ongoing concerns relative to the sewer district is the plight we face should a 100–500-year flood occur in Munds Park. The current system is rated up to a 100-year flood, but with the growth that the Park has experienced in the last decade as well as the aging infrastructure, it has become acutely obvious that steps need to be taken to assure optimal operation of the plant going forward.

Stanley Engineering, a highly respected engineering firm used throughout Arizona, recently completed an analysis that suggests that the plant be immediately retrofitted with a 1.3 million gallon holding tank to divert overflow, when necessary, and treat before release into the Oak Creek tributary system. That one requirement alone is a million-dollar price tag. The second requirement is that a new Aerobic Digestor be installed to handle the increased flows from our ever-growing community. The one in place is nearing end of life, is too small and can't handle the absorption of the number of debris folks are throwing into the toilet. Believe it or not, some folks throw diapers, towelettes and sanitary napkins into the sewer system, which inevitably clogs the pipes. Due to this problem and the system's expansion, new screens must be installed to pull this un-dissolvable material into a separate chamber. This material and the collection of mass fecal material has to be removed from the system in order for it to function properly. PLEASE STOP THROWING NON-**DISSOLVABLE ITEMS INTO YOUR TOILETS!** 

In addition, upgrades and replacements must be made to the pump station, the clarifiers and lateral lines, and manhole stations throughout the Park.

PSD handles 250,000 gallons of sewage daily and is rated up to 600,000 gallons daily. A flood could result in sewage being inadvertently released into the local waterways and aqueduct, which is why the board of directors is actively working to address the frailties in our current system.

The board is working with staff to implement a 10-million-dollar request to obtain funding from the water infrastructure system (WIFA loans.) These loans are expected to be approved and put in place sometime this year. Of course, this will mean that each of us will have an increase in our sewer bill in the near future. Please know that this is not an option but a requirement to meet the basic standards of ADEQ and maintain the health and safety of our community. Once more focus comes into play from a budget perspective, we will inform the community so that no one is surprised by the upcoming rate increases.

The Pinewood Sanitary District is one of two pseudo governmental agencies in Munds Park, along with the Fire District Board, which are both political subdivisions of the state of Arizona as well as special taxing districts of Coconino county. The board is comprised of seven local full time residents that go through a nomination and interview process should a vacancy occur on the board prior to normal elections. If there are more candidates than openings during a general election, then those candidates would run and be elected via ballot during a November general election. The seven members fulfill four-year terms in a non-paid volunteer position.

During these busy growing times for Munds Park, the board members have been meeting several times a month besides the one public meeting held on the second Thursday of each month at 3 pm at the sewer district office. The board members include: Bill Spain, Chairman, Len Friedlund, Vice-Chair, Gail Van Deurzen, Clerk, Bob Timberman, Treasurer and at large members Dick Drinen, Tom Gulliver and Tom Eade. The District Manager is longterm employee Lee Krosnicki and the Office Manage is Lisa Frazier. The board is also advised by long-term legal counsel Brandon Kavanagh.







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Early photo of the Riordan Mill located above Riordan Road -Courtesy of NAU Special Collections

# THE VIEW FROM HERE

## Riordan Mansion State Park – An American Arts and Crafts-Style Treasure



#### by William L. Cowan

The decade of the 1880s was a period of discovery and industrial empire-building in the United States. While the settlement of Northern Arizona was slowly taking place from the early 1860s onward, the floodgates were officially thrown open with the arrival of the first huffing, clanging steam train into Flagstaff on August 1, 1882.

As an incentive to lay open the vast rich reserves of the West, the United States government generously gave the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad 20 square miles of land in alternating sections on each side of the railroad right-of-way for every mile of track laid. The land included some of the finest grazing and timberland remaining on the continent in the heart of the largest virgin stand of Ponderosa Pine timber on the Earth.

At high noon on August 19, 1882, just under three weeks after the arrival of the rails, a steam whistle signaled the firing of the boilers of a giant lumber mill located just west of Flagstaff.

The railroad and mill, not to mention the hundreds of thousands of board feet of virgin timber, were to provide the lifeblood of Flagstaff and Northern Arizona for the next hundred years or so. The owner/industrialists Mike and Tim Riordan were to play an integral part in hewing Coconino County from the rugged wilderness, the establishment of Northern Arizona University, and the building of Lake Mary.

Around this mill evolved a classic turn of the century industrial empire known as the Arizona Lumber and Timber Company with Mill town later shortened to Milton, a company town which included company housing and a company store. Main street Milton was named Riordan Road and laid out with the seething steam-driven sawmill on one end, and an opulent castle of a mansion ensconced on Kinlichee Knoll on the other end. The company store, company hospital, company headquarters and residences of various company higher-ups lined Riordan Road. The El Tovar Lodge, one of the most elegant accommodations in the entire West, was built by the Santa Fe Railroad on the south rim of the Grand Canyon. The same architect, Charles Whittlesey, and many of the same craftsmen were hired to work on this frontier castle of a home.

Well time has passed, the scars of the clear-cutting have healed, and the company store burned down during the depression. The mill was closed and then burned in 1960. The property was sold and subdivided and is now part of Flagstaff, but the nucleus of the once thriving empire remains.

You may want to visit Riordan Mansion State Park, still resting on the grassy knoll, a quiet reminder of a forgotten period of exploitation of raw materials, industrial might and when most all of Northern Arizona was wilderness.

As you enter Flagstaff on I-17, which becomes Milton Road, turn right just past Chili's and then left onto Riordan Ranch Road. The Park is on the right, just north of the Michaels/Sprouts shopping center. Guided Tours begin: 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. There are special tours on Halloween and Christmas. Call 928-779-4395 for more information. Reservations are highly recommended for all tours.

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Bill Cowan's Arcadia book on the History of the Verde Valley is available at Candy's Creekside Cottage in McGuireville, Arizona and also from Amazon, Ebay and at various other retailers including the Verde Canyon Railroad.





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## DISCOVER ARIZONA'S LOST XANADU



*By* Stacey Wittig Travel Writer Unstoppable Stacey

"They lived; they died, they sank to the bottom," quips Kartchner Caverns expert and guide Don Holloway. He describes the build-up of sediments from dead creatures such as brachiopods and crinoids. The skeletal remains, compressed at the bottom of oceans,

form what we now call crinoidal limestone. Kartchner Caverns is a result of water dripping through those limestone layers, explains Holloway in our briefing outside the modern Discovery Center at Kartchner Caverns State Park.

The water picks up calcium from skeletal remains in the limestone and then deposits layers of calcite as the water drips, flows, seeps, condenses or pools. We learn that the movement of the water is one factor in creating the shape of cave features. The most famous cave features are stalactites that drip down from the cave's ceiling like icicles and giant stalagmites that reach up from the ground. They remind me of the mini stalactites of lime building up on my shower faucet in Munds Park.

Like expectant kids at Disneyland, we sit three across on the shiny white "people-mover" that takes us up the serpentuous mountain path to the cave opening. Passing ocotillo cacti and Shin Daggers (Yucca arizonica), our guide tells us they are called 'cave detectors' by spelunkers. This is because the vegetation grows in limestone areas, and their presence identifies evidence of limestone caverns below. "See how ocotillos are on this ridge, but none on that one," says Holloway pointing to a rise on the other side of our electric-powered shuttle. Spelunkers are those interested in caves or exploring caves recreationally.

Warm, moist air greets us as massive, industrial steel doors swing open to let us into the vaultlike entrance. State-of-the-art control systems protect the cave's unique environment. I feel a bit like secret agent Maxwell Smart as a second metal door in front of us remains sealed until the door behind us shuts. Our group of about sixteen sheds jackets as we adjust to the cave's steamy, 72°F



Fossil crinoid casts at Kartchner Caverns Photo by By Shaunnamm via Wikipedia

interior. The conservation doors prevent moisture loss to the "live" cave.

Additional high-tech equipment protects the fragile cave environment. We enter a mist room where food or fabric particles and hair are weighted so they drop to the floor. The trail's high curbs help contain the particles, allowing park staff to wash the tracks and pump the residue out of the cave. Particles like lint become food for fungus colonies that could ruin the cave's beauty.

The technologically-advanced lighting made of 107 miles of electrical wire has two functions: safety and illumination of the breath-taking views. Our tour guide controlled the progressive lighting system, which saves electricity and reduces algae growth and heat build-up. In addition, Kartchner Caverns, which opened in 1999, is one of the only wheelchair-accessible caves in the world.

Finally inside the vast cavern, the eerie sound of a single drip emanates from the unseen interior and echoes against the cave's dark features. As my eyes adjust to the light, the expansive, concave stone ceiling comes into focus, and I feel a momentary wave of claustrophobia in the steamy environment. As we move along the half-mile, slip-resistant trail, I leave the feeling behind as our guide directs my attention to cave features. The marvel of their spectacular beauty totally absorbs me.

"Here is a winning Scrabble word for you," reveals Holloway pointing his flashlight's beam at a crystal-lined oval pockmark on the cave's ceiling. "A vug is a cavity in a rock, often with a mineral lining different from the surrounding rock. It is also a seven-point Scrabble word."

At our final stop in the Throne Room, our guide invites us to sit on benches and asks us to respect others in the group by remaining silent. The lights go down, soft music starts playing, and I am drawn into a contemplative mood. Light beams dance slowly from hanging travertine chandeliers to cascading draperies of ivory stone to



Example of a vug | Photo by By Rob Lavinsky via Wikimedia



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#### \$549,000

#### 17440 S Peyote Drive

**MLS 189327** Updated and ready to move into. 3 beds, 2 bath, remodeled and updated kitchen and primary bath. Central electric heating/cooling. New kitchen that includes new appliances, granite counters and cabinets (self closing). Extra large skylight over the kitchen area. Newer carpet thru out, newer asphalt shingled roof. Covered front deck with an additional party deck off the back of the home. New double pane windows thru out. Propane fireplace in the living room. Large 7000 square foot lot. Plenty of room for off road parking including room the your RV.



#### \$674,000

#### 90 W Pinewood Boulevard

**MLS#188919** Beautiful two bedroom, one and 3/4 bath chalet located on a residential/commercial piece of land. Large wraparound deck. Open views. Great exposure to I-17. Zoned CG-10,000 Commercial General Zone.

This zone is intended for the location of general retail and Wholesale commercial activities or the property could be used as residential/rental. Previously used as a Salon. Home is currently rented and all showings to be approved by tenants.



#### φ049,900

#### 1420 E Bobcat DR

**MLS 190367** Three bedroom plus loft, 2 bath, 1557 Sq. Ft livable, Large open floor plan, Covered deck on southside of property, including open deck with views to the West. Master suite upstairs with personal balcony, walk in closet, loft with skylight and views to the living room. Hardwood Oak floors, saltillo tile and carpet throughout. Woodburning fireplace, , Central propane heat. Heavily treed lot, Large 10,750 sq ft corner lot with plenty of parking. Home has been extremely well maintained by owner. This one won't disappoint.



#### \$439,000

#### 17195 S Deer Run Road

**MLS 189345** Brand new & ready for move in. Offers an open living room, kitchen and dining area. Kitchen island with storage, high cabinets, tall kitchen white cabinets thru out. Pantry room. Washer and dryer hookup, This unit has 2 x 6 construction, 12 inch overhangs, 9' high ceilings. Walk in closets. Primary bath is a full size shower with double sinks . A separate water closet. Ceiling fans in all bedrooms and living area. Driveway will be new ABC rock from side property lines. Plenty of parking across the front. Mobile will be covered with a one year manufactured defect warranty.



#### 505 E Hillside Drive, 6

**MLS 189985** Two story log sided cabin in the woods. Large open living room, full kitchen with walk in pantry. Back deck that leads to a utility room that holds washer, dryer and hotwater heater. Full bath on the main level. Up stairs to a large loft/bedroom with its own balcony, half bath and bedroom with plenty of extra storage.

Beautiful corner lot with parking for all your toys.



#### \$465,000

#### 17300 S Mescalero Drive

**MLS186498** This home is priced right. Over 2500 square foot livable on a 10000 square foot lot with a seasonal creek bed in the back yard. Large deck over the 3 car garage. With an additional garage in the back yard. This home also has an elevator. Five bedrooms 3 baths, living room, family room, circular drive makes for lots of parking. Beautiful views looking over the driveway. Buyers this home is being sold in its AS IS condition. Seller has not resided in the home and cannot supply a SPDS. Please due your Due Diligence.



#### φ030,000

#### 1440 E Pinewood Blvd

MLS#187631 EXTREMELY WELL MAINTAINED CHALET, 3 BEDROOM, LOFT AND TWO FULL BATHS. DOUBLE CAR DETACHED GARAGE LOCATED ON A LOT AND A HALF. LARGE SHED WITH POWER, AIR CONDITIONING AND CENTRAL PROPANE HEAT.

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### \$239,000

#### **120 Hunter Place**

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#### \$225,000

#### 1235 E Coyote RD

MLS# 189864: "AS IS" 2 Bdrm; 2 Bath FIX-UP is part single wide older mobile and an addition that allows plenty of space for Living Room and a Dining Room attached to the Kitchen. This home will require new flooring as they were damaged by Renters; and the bathroom shower stall, vanity and sink have been removed and will have to be replaced by Buyer. In lieu of replacing these items the Sellers are giving a \$10,000. CREDIT TO BUYER at COE. Central Heat and Air conditioning. The Back Deck is PRIVATE. Yard partially fenced with Irrigation. Storage Shed included. Huge Ponderosas; Blue Spruces; many others! CALL SAM OR BOB



#### \$260,000

#### 17310 S Zia Place

MLS# 189790: 1983 14'X 60' Single Wide Palm Harbor with 2 bedrms and 1 Bath. The paneling is a lighter shade offering a feeling of openness. The Kitchen has a large window over the sink and a pantry and an area for your Dining Table and Chairs. The Primary Bedroom is at the end of the hall with windows across the back and built-in drawers and workspace. Just before that Bedroom is a spacious full bath. The deck is partially open and partially covered with screening on the top half and lattice on the bottom half. Great way to enjoy the open air in a rainstorm.

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#### 17035 S. Orchard Place

MLS#190455: NOTHING LIKE LIVING ON THE NATIONAL FOREST LINE! This Adorable 2BR, 2BA Home is just that! The Kitchen is Roomy, gorgeous cabinets and space for a table plus a Work Bench. As it blends into a Dining/LR Area you will find a space for a Larger Kitchen Table or decorate it as you choose. The Family Room has Two Full Walls of Windows and a Tongue and Groove Vaulted Ceiling. A Perfectly enjoyable room allowing you the enjoyment of light and forest! HVAC SEER RATING IS 18. Out back is the patio which leads you out to a completely fenced yard with 3 gates. And there you are: ON THE FOREST with Beautiful Views of Trees: Deer and Elk etc. Don't forget the Workshop with electricity and a burn pit. Much work done on the house shown by attachments. One patio; one deck. CALL SAM OR BOB



#### 17135 S Mescalero DR

MLS# 189911: DON'T MISS THIS GORGEOUS A-FRAME! The Carpeted Primary Bedroom is downstairs along with a Large Bath across the Hall. Awesome Tile Walk-In Shower; T & G Ceilings and through-out makes this a Very Mountainy Cabin. Laminate floors up and down add to Color and Warmth. The Living Room contains a Wood Stove which easily heats the home. The wall behind it is properly treated for safety. The Upper Front Wall is all Trapezoids which allow so much light & views of the trees. The upstairs is a HUGE Space thanks to a Large Dormer! Space to add another 3/4 Bath if chosen. Home comes Furnished As Viewed. Interior & Exterior painted in 2017. Deck Resurfaced in 2021. Front and Back Deck. The Laundry Room is in a separate room outside the back deck. Also, room to build a Garage. CALL SAM OR BOB



#### 145 E Valley Place

MLS# 189792: TALK ABOUT A DREAM PROPERTY! This 3 Bedroom; 2 Bath plus Loft CHALET is nestled in a huge 21,625 square foot lot FULL OF TREES that it makes you feel you are just out in the middle of the Forest.

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They are varieties of bees and in their search for food, they will move from stamens to pistils, pollinating your plants and ensuring their survival.

How important are pollinators (which also include birds, butterflies, moths and more)?

According to the U.S. Forest Service: "Without pollinators, the human race and all of earth's terrestrial ecosystems would not survive."

Of the 1,400 crop plants grown around the world, almost 80% require pollination by animals. Visits from bees and other pollinators also result in larger, more flavorful fruits and higher crop yields. More than half of the world's diet of fats and oils come from animal-pollinated plants and more than 150 food crops in the U.S. depend on pollinators, including almost all fruit and grain crops.

In fact, the USDA estimated that crops dependent on pollination are worth more than \$10 billion per year. Globally that figure is closer to \$3 trillion.

There are other benefits as well. Flowering plants produce breathable oxygen by utilizing the carbon dioxide produced by plants and animals as they respire. Pollinators are key to reproduction of wild plants that help serve as our environmental "lungs."

Flowering plants help to purify water and prevent erosion through roots that hold the soil in place, and foliage that buffers the impact of rain as it falls to the earth. The water cycle depends on plants to return moisture to the atmosphere, and plants depend on pollinators to help them reproduce.

Therefore, it's not just the food we eat or the gardens we enjoy that benefit from pollinators; they also impact our waters, the earth and the very air we breathe.

But bees and other pollinators need help from human gardeners to keep them happy and busy pollinating. Here are some ways to keep our ecosystem buzzing with our pollinator friends:

- Create habitats for pollinators by supplying necessary water, food, shelter and places to raise their young.
- Plant in clumps as clustering plants makes them easier to find and shortens the need for travel, reserving the energy of backyard pollinators.
- Plant a section of native plants and wildflowers to increase nectar and pollen sources for butterflies and bumblebees.
- Choose a variety of plants that will bloom in rotation through the growing season.
- Choose a variety of colors and shapes as different pollinators are attracted to different types.



Photo by Ankith Choudhary

- Build or purchase a bee condo or leave dead trees or limbs for nesting habitats.
- Plant where bees will visit, such as sunny spots with some shelter versus shady areas.
- Use only bee-friendly pesticides. Most organic products are not harmful to bees.

Warner's locally grown native plant selection as well as all the other quality plants from our nursery will provide multiple food sources for all those buzzing bees and other pollinators.

Here's just a partial list of plants that will keep bees busy and your yard looking lovely too: Asters, Basil, Black-eyed Susan, Caryopteris, English Lavender, Globe Thistle, Goldenrod, Honeysuckle, Marjoram, Purple Coneflower, Rhododendron, Rosemary, Sage, Snowberry, Sunflower, Trumpet Vine, Wild Lilac and Zinnia.

If you have any questions about setting your garden abuzz and making it a home for our oh-so-important pollinators, our experts at Warner's would be happy to help.



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MLS #190245: Location, location, location! Near Lake O'Del! This A-Frame is on a huge 13,796 sq ft lot that is loaded with pine trees. The 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath with game room is perfect for a quiet summer get-a-way. Call Dave for your private showing!

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# **PROTECTIVE MOTHERS JUSTICE**

Hosted their 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Munds Park Appreciation Luncheon

#### By the PMJ Team

Protective Mothers Justice hosted their 2nd annual Munds Park Appreciation Luncheon to honor the tremendous support over the past year that they have received. Among those who were recognized were partnering foundations Flagstaff Bone & Joint spine team, The Candle Wish Foundation, Agee's, Kotas Coffee Shop, Pinewood News, Munds Park Community Church and The Binkies for Babies Ladies. PMJs theme this year was "Touched by Angels" as CEO Carrie G. expressed her sincere thank you to the Angels of Munds who took on 30 families this year while providing them with a dream Christmas. Gail Van Deurzen, who is Protective Mothers Justice Munds Park Outreach, headed up the adoption of these families and delegated it to those willing to spread Christmas joy to the Domestic Violence Victims. Carrie said, "I really feel blessed to have Gail as a part of our team, honestly I don't know what we would do without her and Rick." Mayor Paul Deasy attended the special event while he was there to present an award to Gail Van Deurzen Protective Mother's Justice for her hard dedicated work and special heart, he was surprised by CEO Carrie as she presented him a plaque of appreciation for the outpouring support he has given to PMJ over the past two years. Jeff Miller, who joined the

team as Director of fundraising and activities, was recognized for the incredible work he has done in such a short time. "We really put a lot of thought into how we wanted to honor Munds Park and the businesses who allow us to be a part of their family while supporting our organization. How do you even begin to show gratitude for the smallest things that mean so much, even a resident of MP who offers a prayer if nothing more means the world to our clients." said Carrie.

The event was catered by Eagle Event Planners as an Italian buffet was served at the luncheon. During the luncheon, special recognition was handed to the following residents of Munds Park, including those who were unable to attend. Phil & Amber Brooks, Don Newton, Denise and Dale Ingram, Leslie Reiley, Kim Agee, Cheri Schultz, Afton Mitchie Trail, Kristy Morgan, Norma and Craig Whitaker, Gail and Rick Van Deurzen, Cosette Boyington, Barbara Sherman who does photography for PMJ, Linda and Jim Barnett, Pastor Steve, Ty and Jackie Benson, Ann and Tom Gullivar, Eva Held, Melody Riccobono, Sue Wood, Cindy Mattio, Rhioonan Rubio, Kathryn Coffman, Deanna and Ren Bascelli, Steve Valentine, Becky Haber, Mary Bugglin, Lorraine and Keith De La Cruz and a big shout out to Lu Cross who heads up the Binkies for Babies Program. Carrie sends her sincere apologies to anyone she may have left out," there are so many, but we can't thank everyone enough for what you have done."

During their recognition, PMJ graduated a client who gave her testimony. For safety purposes, at this time, her name will be kept private. However this client is training to join the PMJ team as an advocate upon case closure, possibly this fall. Amongst the new staff PMJ now has a Health and Wellness Coach and Education Coordinator, Jane Miller. Ms. Ella Brooks happily helped Director Jeff Miller call the winners of the raffle prizes and did a fantastic job. Protective Mother's Justice would like to announce their Motorcycle Raffle for a Honda Fury. Tickets are \$100.00 or for an extra \$10 donation for the winner, PMJ will pay their title for a year. Tickets are available at Kotas and Agees or you can obtain more information at www.protectivemothersjustice.org. Any of our staff will be more than happy to assist with the Motorcycle Raffle, PMJ is only selling 1000 tickets with them

going fast to get yours while they last. Funds raised will be helped to purchase a vehicle which is much needed and put a down payment on property or purchase of a shelter to run an efficient program.

If you would like to know how to donate you can contact Gail Van Deurzen at gailvandeurzen@protectivemothersjustice.com. PMJ is looking for volunteer security for upcoming events including their 1st Annual Nutcracker Ball in December. If you would like to know how to volunteer for security, please contact johngummow@protectivemothersjustice.org. Information on the Nutcracker Ball and festivities follow PMJs website or contact jeffmiller@protectivemothersjustice.org.

PMJ has officially obtained their 501C3 status and are recognized by the IRS as a tax-exempt organization. Carrie is more than happy to answer any questions and her contact information can be obtained through Gail or on the PMJ website. If you would like to know how to donate to the back-to-school program please reach out to Jackie Benson, her information can be obtained through Gail or Carrie.

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## TRAVEL

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caramel-colored columns. I soon recognize the lilting music by Inna, and tears fill my eyes as I am mesmerized by God's creation. In a grand finale, spotlights illuminate Kartchner's magnum opus, a nearly five-story column in front of me. The cave's explorers named it Kubla Khan for the ruler of Xanadu, a lost mystical city. Kartchner Caverns, once a lost respite from the Arizona elements, is now found. Now is the time to



Moonmilk in Bergmilchkammer Cave, Austria Photo by Doronenko via Wikipedia

discover its spellbinding beauty on your own, future spelunker.

Kartchner Caverns State Park is nine miles south of I-10 on Highway 90 near Benson, Arizona. The park offers a large, modern campground adjacent to the Whetstone Mountains with views of the entire San Pedro Valley. www.azstateparks.com

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# THE PINEWOOD

Is Asking for Munds





For the first time, the Pinewood Fire District (PFD) is asking voters to approve a bond supporting their effort to build a new firehouse. The PFD has outgrown its current home, and the firehouse doesn't meet present day standards that keep firefighters safe. Further, Munds Park is growing, and so are the surrounding areas that the PFD serves. The new firehouse will provide adequate facilities to support our firefighters, state-of-the-art equipment, improve security, and allow for future growth.

#### **Bond projects include:**

- Demolition, design, and construction of a new facility
- Safety and security of district assets
- Inclusion of community meeting space
- Increase the level of response
- Improvements in design to mitigate firefighter cancer risks
- Improvements to building for firefighter and public safety



## HOW MUCH IS THE BOND?

The district's bonding capacity is \$4.513 million, and we are asking for the full bond of \$4.513 million.



# HOW MUCH WILL THE BOND COST TAXPAYERS?

The Pinewood Fire District bond is estimated to be about \$36 per year for each \$100,000 in the Assessor's limited property value. The average 'limited property value' for Munds Park FY2023 is \$215,500, costing about \$6.50 per month.

The limited property value (LPV) is not the market value of your home but a separate assessment the county uses for calculating taxes. In most cases, the (LPV) isn't even half of the market value.

To find your LPV, check your tax records, or check with the county assessor.

The tax will sunset 20 years after the bonds have all been sold.



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# FIRE DISTRICT

Park Voter Support



## HOW DO I KNOW THE MONEY WILL BE SPENT AS INDICATED?

The Pinewood Fire District is committed to responsible stewardship of bond funds. Further, Arizona law requires the district to identify the allocation of bond money in the ballot proposition. As a result, the district is required to comply or be in violation of Arizona state law. Additionally, the fire district will provide public updates on the progress of the bond and how the proceeds are spent at our monthly board meetings.

Board meetings are public, and you can find the dates and times in the Pinewood News Community Calendar on page 2. Further, we will keep you updated with periodic articles published in the Pinewood News.







# WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THE BOND IS NOT APPROVED?

The district will rely on limited funding through assessed value to fund these projects. With our current funding, building a new firehouse would take about 30 years to accomplish and may not get funded at all.



## WHEN DO WE VOTE?

The Bond will be on the ballot Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

Early voting will start Wednesday, October 12, 2022.

The last day for voter registration is Monday, October 10, 2022.

Visit www.servicearizona.com to register to vote.

Thank you for your continued support, Josh G. Tope *Fire Chief, Pinewood Fire Department* 





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## **BROKER TIDBITS** Second Quarter Results Demonstrate Housing Sales Slow Down



### By Bill Spain,

Designated Broker Provident Partners Realty

The past two years of Real Estate sales have been some of the strangest in the twenty plus years I have been working in the trade. Munds Park traditionally markets about three to four percent of its inventory in any given year. Of the 3200 parcels in Munds Park between 100-150 of them are generally "Up For Sale"

during the summer season. In the past few years, those numbers have been halved as inventory available for purchase has remained under seventyfive properties at any given time since before the pandemic began. We just hit a milestone today when fifty properties show as ACTIVE in the Northern Arizona MLS and for sale at the same time in Munds Park. "50." That equates to 0.01563 percent of the available inventory in Munds Park. Interestingly, this is twice the number we had available for sale just thirty days ago. During the first quarter we never got above 18 ACTIVE listings.

The same thing is happening nationally. Inventory of available homes for sale has more than doubled in the last thirty days signaling a quick slowdown of the market. Interest rate increases being initialed by the Federal Reserve is the reason behind the tremendous slow down. The "Fed" is increasing interest rates to deal with the forty-year high inflation that is crushing the country led by gas and energy prices that are higher than any time in our lifetime.

What does this mean for Real Estate? One of the reasons we are seeing so many real estate agents enter the Munds Park sale arena is because they have been starving in the markets where they live. The influx of agents from Phoenix into the MP market has been incredible during the past two years, in part because they have had nothing to sell in their primary markets. They appeal to friends and family members for listings in Munds Park, which often is out of their area of expertise, as they have no listings where they live. When a Northern Arizona agent goes to show the property we often find that the home cannot be opened because the lock-box is from Phoenix instead of the local association, so the home goes unshown.

Price reductions are in full force over the past two weeks. More than half my listings have been reduced and I suspect those interested in selling this season are contemplating reductions as well. The "Cromford Report", which is the industry standard in Arizona, published monthly, is predicting that by August of this year, the metro Phoenix area will turn into a "Buyer's Market from a Seller's Market." Naturally, this means that the law of supply versus demand will have reversed and there will be ample inventory available which will initiate price decreases even further. The old adage, "What goes up, must come down" is about to repeat itself. Owned & Operated by Munds Park residents, Marilyn & Dave Kaminski and their 3 little scallywags. We love Munds Park! Thank you for supporting a local business!

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# THE MUNDS PARK BUSINESS ALLIANCE

Is Planning a Holiday Spectacular for The Park and Holding Officer Elections

#### By Bill Spain

In its thirteenth year, the Munds Park Business Alliance has grown into a

thirty-plus member alliance that works together to build lasting partnerships supporting local business owners and their employees. The alliance has flourished during the past decade and has assisted multiple businesses since the Great Recession of 2008. Numerous companies give credit and thanks to the MPBA for their help, including The French Connection Handymen, Sevilla's Painting, Goodfella's Junk Removal and many more.

The alliance is committed to its members and the community we serve. From beautification projects to sponsorships, the alliance members pull together to support our community, and this year will be no different!

The Munds Park Business Alliance proudly presents the first annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony! Friends and family will gather around the newly appointed holiday tree located at Kota's Coffee House, next to the Munds Park Community Church. There will be hot drinks and sweets, music, and a few words from Pastor Steve leading us into the holiday season and tree lighting. Soon following the tree lighting, the Munds Park business district will light up with festive lighting

that will spark the holiday spirit and keep it nourished through the New Year.

The computerized light show that will decorate Pinewood Boulevard will be created by MPBA member Herb Shepard. You may have seen some of his handy work on the 4th of July when he lit up Provident Partners Real Estate! It was a wonderful sight to see.



Provident Partners Digital light Display



MPBA Members participating in the 4th of July Parade!

Businesses planning to participate thus far include; Agee's, Borracho's, Caviness Studio, Coldwell Banker Real Estate, Kota's Coffee House,

> Munds Park Community Church, The Outpost Post Office, The Pinewood Fire Department, The Pinewood News, and Shell Gas Station. Businesses participating without brick and mortar fronts include; Coconino Community Theater, Dynamic Plumbing, The French Connection Handymen, Goodfella's Junk Removal, Gotcha Covered, Pine Country Window Cleaning, Sevilla's Painting, Sabo Insurance Company, and Skyline Waste.

Monies raised from MPBA are the combined ownership of the individual companies that participate in giving back to the Munds Park Community. The group is formed via a limited liability corporation under the name Diversified Business Group, LLC and is known as "The Munds Park Business Alliance. Everyone is invited to attend our monthly meeting held on the third Thursday of each summer month at the Munds Park Community Fellowship Hall. If you would like information on joining the alliance, you can reach us at info@mundsparkba.com.

Current officers include founder Bill Spain, President; Deanna Basccelli, Vice-President; Len Friedlund, Sec/Treasurer; Sandee Caviness, At Large.

Elections are scheduled for a special meeting at 4:30 pm on July 21, 2022, in the Munds Park Community Church Fellowship Hall. Nominations include President, Denna Bascelli, Vice-President, Kim Agee, Emily Felton, Secretary, Len Friedlund and Lisa Eddy are running for Treasurer. Sandee Caviness, Mike Felton, Anthony French and Bill Gibney are running for At Large positions, of which there are two openings.



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## SHOOTOUT IN THE PINES MEMBER-GUEST



Ken & Matt Edelbeck

Jim Dicello & Chris Farrell

Congratulations to Ken and Matt Edelbeck (Hogan Flight) and to Jim Dicello and Chris Farrell (Palmer Flight) for winning this year's Shootout in the Pines. Glenn Gerston, Bob Kirby, David Baranco, and Bill Kuemper won the Friday Horserace. Special thanks to GM Gary Pierce, Head Pro Brian Obillo, and Superintendent Jason Miler.



Glenn Gerston, Bob Kirby, David Baranco, & Bill Kuemper



PWGA members shown in the photo are: (L-R) Sandi Lough, President Pat Cole, Vicki Day, Andy Harper and Cindy Armstrong.

Pinewood Country Club's Women's Golf Association held its annual memberguest tournament on June 22, 23, and 24th, topped off with a new tournament name, Partners in the Pines. Ninety-six players and guests participated for a competitive and fun time. The overall winners for low gross and low net scores are pictured in the photos.

Low gross: WGA member Anita Britton and her guest Molly Baker

Low net winners: WGA member Sandie Hoffman and her guest Patsy Hall

In addition, Sandi Lough, Vicki Day, and Cindy Armstrong secured donations for banners and signage from local businesses and individuals for the tournament. The generosity of the donors exceeded expectations, so a portion of the proceeds was donated to the Pinewood Fire Department. Andy Harper cochaired the event with Lori Prescott and Brenda Scott (not available for photo). The PWGA thanks our community for their support of this annual event.



Sandie Hoffman and guest Patsy Hall, overall low net winners



Anita Britton and guest Molly Baker, overall low gross winners



"Pinewood Country Club Lady Putters celebrated Independence Day last week by wearing patriotic colors during their Buddy Tournament on 6/30/22. Trophies were presented to the winners of the tournament afterwards during their monthly Luncheon/Meeting. Winners were Cheryl Morgan-Craig and Judy Giroux with a combined net score of 60. Congratulations ladies!"

# COMMUNITY SAFETY DAY

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# THEATER

## PINEWOOD PLAYERS PRESENTS A Unique Reader's Theater Event

Pinewood Players presents Reader's Theater Mainstage with a Twist on Friday and Saturday, July 22 and 23 at 7 pm and Sunday, July 24 at 2:30 pm. All performances are in the Pinewood Playhouse, located on the east side of the Pinewood Country Club. These performances are open to the public, and everyone is invited to enjoy the fun!

Reader's Theater is a tradition started over ten years ago, and it has become one of our most popular events. The production consists of a series of humorous skits performed by your friends and neighbors. Most performers are not experienced actors. They do not memorize lines because they read their parts, hence the name Reader's Theater. One purpose of Reader's Theater is to allow novice actors to get a feel for the stage and performing in front of an audience. A number of Reader's Theater participants get the "acting bug" after one performance and many Pinewood Players actors have advanced to mainstage productions. But it is not necessary to move on to serious acting. Many participants just enjoy this level of performing and have no aspirations to act in more sophisticated productions.

This year, Reader's Theater will be performed on the main stage in the Pinewood Playhouse for the first time in a decade. For many years the event was hosted in the Country Club in a "cabaret" setting. Elyse Webber is producing the show this season. Elyse brings a wealth of stage experience. She has performed in leading roles and directed Pinewood Players productions. This year, the show will contain several "twists" to add to the audience's entertainment. There will be plenty of laughter, song and slapstick.

Join us for an evening or afternoon of hilarious fun. You will laugh until your face and sides ache! Mark your calendar. There are only three performances so make sure you reserve your seats before they are sold out. Tickets are available to purchase online at www.pinewoodplayers.com. You may also purchase tickets at the Pinewood Playhouse Box Office on Saturday mornings from 10 am to noon and 1 hour prior to performances. For assistance, call the Ticket Hot Line at (928)863-9061. Don't miss this unique production. Once you have experienced it you'll want to make Reader's Theater an annual "must see" event!



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## ARIZONA CHILDREN'S THEATRE To Perform "Moana, Jr."

Arizona Children's Theatre (ACT) will be presenting the Disney Musical "Moana, Jr". This play is a celebration of the cultures and peoples of the Hawaiian Islands. The character Moana is strong, empowered, and a brave young gal who becomes a hero for her community. Whether it is the villagers on the Hawaiian Island she works hard to protect, the family she hopes to make proud, or the ancestors she strives to honor, Moana is motivated in everything she does by her selfless desire to help others. What better model is there for our young people beginning to shape their sense of self? No matter who or what they play, each actor is an integral part of Moana's adventure. This show offers an opportunity for young performers to think outside the box and engage creatively with innovative stagecraft and choreography.

We are so grateful for Munds Park Community Church as they have opened their doors to our 3 week camp rehearsals and the 3 performances which will be Thursday, July 21st at 6:30 p.m., Friday, July 22nd at 6:30 p.m., and a Saturday matinee, July 23rd at 3 p.m. General Admission tickets can be purchased online at: www.cctfriends.org. They are only \$10.

Our ACT Director, Lynn Rouyer, has had many years of experience working with children in theatre from her own studio, Lynn's Talent Center; her children's TV show, Lynn Hope and Friends; and directing musicals for Paradise Valley School District with casts as large as 120+. We hope you will attend this wonderful play.



Pinewood Players Presents A hilarious compilation of skits that will surprise and entertain you! Produced and directed by Elyse Webber

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# SHORT STORIES

From Our Neighbors

## **RILEY SURVIVES RATTLESNAKE ENCOUNTER!**

#### By Bobbie Bookhout

On a Monday afternoon in June, we sat outside in the back yard of our place in Munds Park. We relish the cool temperatures compared to the 100-plus degrees we'd had in the valley.

I'd brought up a couple of plants to replant here, but because the ground was very dry, I got out the hose to water the soil and watered a raspberry vine by the rocks forming a border on the north. I didn't water the rocks but moved the hose over to a tree to give it a drink too.

The supper table was set, and soon we

went in to eat on the screened-in porch: chicken, lemon-flavored pasta, corn on

the cob. We prop the screen door open so

our dog Riley can come in. We haven't put

in a doggie door since we don't want to

Riley didn't come in to keep us company

hopes for a tidbit. She was sniffing around

An alarming fight broke out. My first

invite critters in.

old people can go.

the rocks on the north side.



**Resting Riley.** 



The rattlesnake.

thought was it could not involve another dog as the yard is fenced-in. John and I moved as fast as two seventy-year

He was able to grab the dog as we both yelled and saw that what she had in her mouth was a rattlesnake. If it's in her backyard and it slithers and moves like a lizard, she figures it's hers. Riley managed to get a bite into the three to four-foot snake, at which point, I surmise, the rattler's head swung around to bite in her face. The snake was wounded but moving as John got Riley up and away.

I used as many rock projectiles as I could to throw at it until it stopped moving. Once we got the dog inside, I saw the fang mark, only one, and we got her into Canyon Pet immediately. Ironically she had been there that morning for an appointment. John called ahead, and they were ready for her. Her face had started swelling.

She spent two nights there. For a dog who is always hungry, she had no appetite. We visited her the second morning, and they brought us food for her to try, but she turned away. We brought her home late that afternoon. To get her to take her medicine, we had to make a special concoction of chicken and mashed potato. It involved getting the pills down by keeping her snout shut to swallow antibiotic, anti-inflammatory and pain medication. Riley is now back to her normally 'always hungry' state of being.

It's worth it to get rattlesnake aversion therapy if you can find it. When I asked the vet, she said the closest one was in Prescott, but maybe some good sleuthing on the internet is in order.

Beware of snakes this time of year, and I now look at every rock, pile of rocks, or the ground when I'm walking. Riley's encounter with the sidewinder, probably a timber rattler, had a happy outcome. Speed is of the essence as is a healthy bank account. Anti-venin was \$650. Total bill was more with two nights stay and medication.

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## **PROVIDENT PARTNERS SOLD**

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market collapse, we felt it was important to develop a model where folks who do business in the Park actually "Give Back" to the Park." Added Bill Spain, President of the MPBA and owner of Provident Partners. "It is one thing to exist and provide goods and services, make money and thrive in this small-town community, and another to actually participate in "Giving Back" to that same community. After looking at the available options, we determined that Coldwell Banker was the perfect fit."

"We are excited about this new phase in our company's development. When we sat down with Bill Spain and his team, we learned that the company had the same values and culture. Together we are committed to ensuring all home buyers and sellers receive the best imaginable service as their trusted advisor and that our agents are afforded every opportunity to maximize their business potential," said Becky McBride, owner and Associate Broker of Coldwell Banker Northland.

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Provident Partners Companies, which originated in the Scottsdale Airpark as a mortgage, real estate and property management company in the year 2000, grew to become one of the fastest growing companies in America and was recognized in 2007 by Entrepreneurship Magazine. The company also was a finalist for the Ethics Award from the Better Business Bureau and was a Sterling Award Finalist for Business of the Year for the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce in 2005. The Spain's sold the Scottsdale based divisions to former CFO and now president and COO of Provident Partners, Patty Hatton. Bill and Patty worked together to build Provident Partners and it was only befitting that Patty would be the one to take the company forward. In 2004, the North Division was opened in the newly remodeled "green" building where Kota's now operates. Foreseeing the impending recession, Spain sold that building in 2007 to Shuster Companies which still owns the property. Spain merged with Carole Woltz and Associates in 2013, purchasing the current building at 20 W Pinewood Boulevard and began the remodeling project that took several years to produce what is now known as the Provident Partners Building.

The building houses the real estate company, The Pinewood News, Northstar Charter Academy, and a small office currently for lease. The Spain's will continue to own the property, and Coldwell Banker will lease the real estate portion of the building.

Over the years, Provident Partners has sponsored numerous activities in Munds Park, including local plays and festivities, kid's carnivals, fundraisers, garage sales, church activities, trunk or treat, group events with the PPOA, MPBA, MPCC and an array of golf tournaments sponsorships. Since 2004, the business has contributed more than \$100,000 towards local events, sponsorships and contributions.

Provident Partners, Bill and Dee Spain, want to thank their agents throughout the years who have worked to help build their North business and who were hardworking, loyal

and a testament to the ideals of "Real Estate Done Right." They include; Vicki Howard, Carroll Newton, Yvonne Newton, Roger McGrath, Sharon Migliorino, Bob Woods, Diane Robinson, Charlie Gilson, Ed Lange, Irene Russell, Jacquie Petchauer, Nancy Shelton, Len Friedlund, Ronnie Mills, Dan Hellman, Tom Bradbury, Stan Sisson, Kevin and Brenda Kuetzer, Rick Johnston, Rob Heinrich, Dan Murphy, Lorraine De La Cruz, Melody Riccobono, Dorothy Chiappe and Craig Nelson... and of course, Regina Bailey!

Longtime realtor Regina Bailey, Associate Broker, will remain along with Bill Spain and agent Ronnie Mills as Coldwell Banker agents, joined by other Coldwell Banker agents who desire to work in the Munds Park market. "Regina and I have been partnering in real estate since I purchased our first place in Munds Park in the early nineties," said Bill Spain, "It is only fitting that we end our careers together, in a decade or so, working together offering our full-time real estate services, notary services and participation in the community," stated Spain. "We will be here for many years to take care of our clients and see Munds Park into the future," added Spain.



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#### Across

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65. Bungle, with "up"

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- 3. Zen enlightenment
- 4. Victorian, for one
- 5. 747, e.g.
- 6. Breezy
- 7. Caribbean, e.g. 8. Beach wear
- 9. Take over, in a way
- 10. Dangerous current
- 11. "So what?!"
- 12. Air hero
- 15. Chowder morsel
- 17. "Spy vs. Spy" magazine
- 22. Chooses
- 24. On pins and needles
- 25. War of words
- 26. Charlotte-to-Raleigh dir. 28. \_\_\_\_ deferens
- 31. " the fields we go"
- 32. Bounce back again 34. "\_\_\_\_ we having fun yet?" 35. Blasé
- 36. Monk or nun
- 37. Juliet, to Romeo
- 38. Oolong, for one
- 39. Center of a roast
- 43. Obstruct
- 45. Look up to
- 46. Sticks
- 47. Yard surrounders
- 49. Lets out
- 50. Deuce topper
- 51. Slip
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- 54. Arborist's concern 56. Downs' opposite 58. Adam's madam
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# **BIRDS OF MUNDS PARK**

Great Blue Heron



#### By Margaret Dyekman

It is almost impossible to miss a Great Blue Heron if it's in the vicinity. When you are driving during the early morning, it could be that large bird flying above you and the road, looking like a mini pterodactyl with a neck folded into the shape of an S as it makes its way to a lake, pond, marsh, or agricultural field for its daily

hunt. If you are fishing or hiking around a body of water, you might spot a four-foot-tall blue-gray bird standing silently at the edge of the water, its orange dagger-like bill poised to spear a perch, frog, or bluegill. It may not move for minutes at a time, and when it does, its long thin legs lift silently with barely a ripple as it inches closer to a likely spot for its prey.

A couple of weeks ago as I looked through my binoculars at the treetops on the east side of Odell Lake, I spotted a Great Blue Heron sitting on a mass of sticks at the top of a pine. It was stationary but stretching up and down and flapping its wings. My educated guess is that this was a juvenile that was getting ready to fledge the nest in a day or a few days, and it was practicing getting those wings moving and its courage up. Luckily I had my spotting scope with me that day, so I was able to get an even better view over the long distance across the lake.

Great Blue Herons are found in most of North America, and in Arizona they are here year-round. Some may migrate from up north, but the vast majority stay throughout the year. According to eBird.org, the peak population numbers for Great Blue Herons are in October, November and December, when migrants fly to our state to spend the winter.

Herons typically breed in colonies, but it seems that in Munds Park we only have one or two pairs of Great Blue Herons. I have not seen a heron rookery here. In Scottsdale, however, there are several pairs breeding on one of the resort-style golf courses, and it is an interesting sight. Lots of noise, lots of activity with birds sitting on nests and flying back and forth to feed their young.

Great Blues seem to prefer fish and will catch a sizable one that you might think could never go down its long throat. The vast majority do go down, but occasionally a fish will get stuck in the bird's throat and the bird will die. Other foods that the species eat include shellfish, insects, rodents, amphibians, reptiles and small birds. Yep, a diet heavy on protein!



Great Blue Heron Photo by Gordon Karre.

Can you attract a Great Blue Heron to your backyard? Most likely not in a forest or suburb setting unless you have a pond such as a small decorative one stocked with fish. But luckily for us, Great Blue Herons have integrated well with humanity and can be found at your local parks and golf courses where there are bodies of water around. When they are stalking, give them some space so they can safely concentrate on the pursuit of their next meal.

You can reach me at margaretdyekman@cox.net or by text at 602-620-3210. You can read all about Backyard Birding in Northern Arizona at www. backyardbirdingaz.com and order the book online or get one directly from me. I welcome your questions, reports of sightings, and your suggestions for future articles.



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## JUST SAVE THE CHILDREN

"A society that determines the best option

for unwanted children is to kill them

is not a healthy society"



By Steve Bowyer Pastor, Munds Park Community Church Much is being made of the procedures of the police in Uvalde, TX. They waited 45 minutes just outside the door before moving in. By then, all the children were dead. Had they entered the room when they first arrived it is

likely they could have saved the lives of several 10-year-olds.

The unfolding story is they were unsure of what they would encounter in the classroom, so they needed to get their stuff together before they confronted the gunman.

What we learned as early as Columbine, law enforcement must rush into

harm's way immediately upon arrival and confront the threat right away if there is any hope of saving children. In Uvalde, they had been trained to do so. Yet, in the heat of the moment they hesitated.

We saw the same hesitation

cost lives in Parkland, Florida. The resource officer, by himself, rushed to the door where the gunman was located just inside. He hesitated. Had he moved in quickly, he likely would have saved the lives of several kids who died that day.

A few weeks ago, the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade. We knew the decision was coming as a draft of the majority opinion had been leaked weeks earlier.

The day after the draft was leaked, the picture on the front page of the Arizona Republic showed a woman holding up a sign that read, "Safe abortions save lives." I do not believe the children would agree with that.

No one wants to see anyone lose their life in any type of medical procedure. But abortion has a 99.9999% mortality rate. There are few survivors among the children.

We had a float in our 4th of July parade where a young woman held a sign that said something to the effect that it was her body, therefore, her choice. No one has the right to tell her what she has to do with her body. There is an argument to be made there. At the same time, we would all also agree her rights end where another's rights begin. It would not be her body that is torn apart during the abortion. "For you created my inmost being, you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be." (Psalm 139:13-14, 16)

God alone has the right to end a life. Life is His. He makes us and gives us life. Then, God determines when our life should end. No human being has the right to decide when a person's life should end.

But you may say, our stuff is not together to provide care for pregnant

women who do not want to be pregnant and children that are unwanted or cannot be afforded. While somewhat true, as we wait just outside the door, getting our stuff together, children are dying. Just save the children.

People argue that in the cases of rape, incest or the mother's life

in danger the procedure should be an option. Even if we table discussion for these cases, they are less than 4% of all abortions. Let's address the 96% and save the kids we can.

A society that determines the best option for unwanted children is to kill them is not a healthy society. Just save the children.

We still have work to do. Work with our state legislators, work in our foster care system, and work with pregnancy help centers. As abortion clinics close, scared and stressed pregnant women and new moms need more places to turn to for help. The entertainment industry seems to communicate sex with as many people as possible is without consequence. So not true. Making unborn babies pay the consequence is no good answer to the poor choices adults make.

We need to get our stuff together. Ending Roe did not end abortion. There is still plenty of work to be done. At least for now, we have saved some. Please, just save the children.

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