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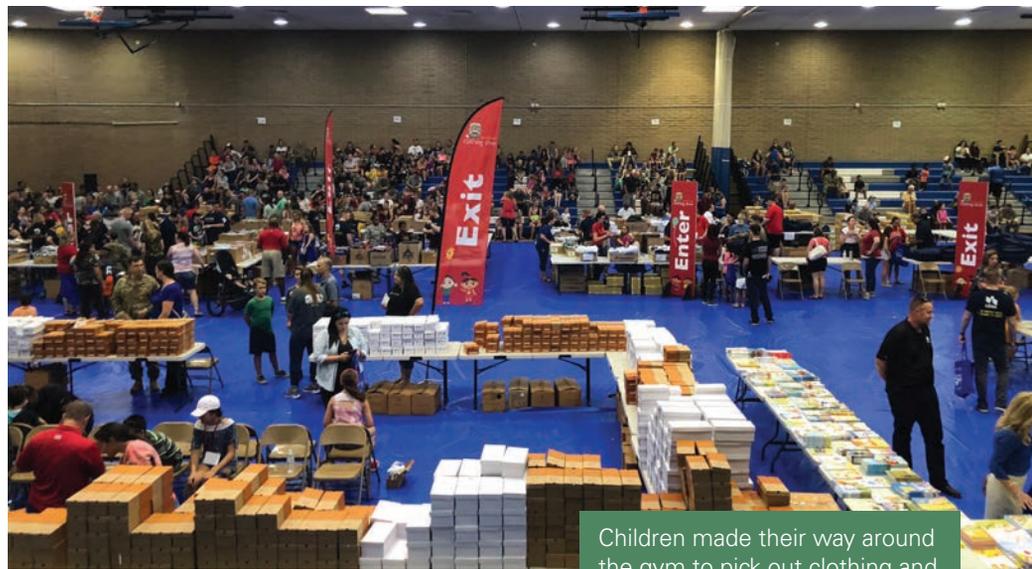
Another school year has begun, and it wouldn't be the same unless Fighter Country Foundation and the Luke Chaplain Corps partnered again for the back-to-school bash.

The organizations have collaborated for years to support the kids and families of Luke Air Force Base.

In years' past, children attending the back-to-school bash left with a backpack full of supplies. Together, the families stayed for carnival rides, bounce houses, a petting zoo and cotton candy in the base park.

With the help of BHHS Legacy Foundation, the Force Support Squadron leadership, Luke Air Force Base leaders and Fighter Country Foundation partners, the organization hosted the event in the base gym's indoor basketball court.

BHHS Legacy Foundation is always searching for and supporting new programs that help to improve the health and health care of all Arizonans. To do that, they develop grantmaking strategies designed to meet very specific goals. The backpack event was founded in 1967 when the Salt River flooded and washed out many of the migrant camps along the riverbank. A group of women supported by The Order of True Sisters and other Phoenix agencies banded together to raise money to supply back-to-school clothes for the children of



Children made their way around the gym to pick out clothing and backpacks. (Photos courtesy Fighter Country Foundation)



The Fiesta Bowl mascot, Spirit, visits with Luke Air Force Base families during a recent back-to-school event.

the migrant families. Almost 50 years later, back-to-school clothing drive still strives to provide for Valley students. Many of these kids previously never owned new clothing.

With the help of Legacy Foundation, the back-to-school clothing drive was a success and volunteers brought backpacks and wardrobes to Luke AFB kids. The clothes

included shoes, pants, hat and a hand-stitched dress for the girls or a hand-stitched shirt for the boys. Each of the 750 children left with a tote bag full of clothes, a backpack with supplies and tickets to an Arizona Coyotes game.

More than 70 volunteers from the Fiesta Bowl and USAA and those wearing Fighter Country Partnership Blue Blazers came ready to help. They acted as personal "shopping" assistants, walking kids through the departments to pick out their clothing, get their backpacks or receive their Coyotes tickets.

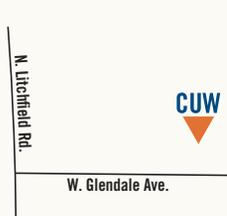
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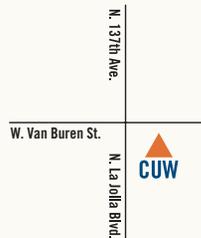
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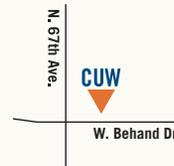
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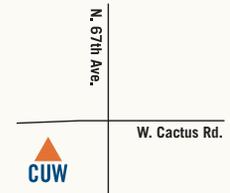
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THE CLASS *of* 2019

The Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame set to induct 22 Veterans

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO-KARASINSKI

Sound of Freedom Executive Editor

The Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame is hosting its 2019 induction ceremony from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, October 18, at the Talking Stick Resort Conference Center, 9800 E. Talking Stick Way, Scottsdale. Doors open at 11 a.m.

The inductees are:

Arlan R. Allen Jr., Army, Phoenix
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 Patricia Carlisle-Thompson, Army, Wittmann
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Sponsored by the Unified Arizona Veterans Inc., the induction ceremony recog-

nizes and honors Arizona veterans who have honorably served their country and who continue to serve and inspire their fellow American citizens with civic deeds and accomplishments outside their military service.

It includes Arizona Medal of Honor Recipients recognized for valor in action against enemy forces in war-time. This will be the 19th class of veterans inducted since the inception of the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame in 2001.

Veterans, military and the public are invited to the luncheon, which includes a chicken entrée. Special dietary needs such as requests for vegetarian meals will be accommodated.

To register, visit azuav.org, by using a credit card. Or, guests can download/print the registration form, fill it out and mail it and a check for money order (see below), payable to UAV, to UAV, P.O. Box 34338, Phoenix, AZ 85067, Attn: Treasurer.

Early-bird registration is \$55 until September 30. From October 1 to October 10, the registration fee increases to \$65 per guest. Registrations with payment must be received in the UAV post office box by September 30, and October 10, respectively.

Veterans and the public who do not have access to the registration form on azuav.org may call secretary Carol Culbertson at 602-799-9480 or email secretary@azuav.org to have the form mailed. All lunches are prepaid; lunches will not be sold at the induction ceremony. ■



Public relations specialist Paula L. Pedene, a U.S. Navy veteran from Scottsdale, will be inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame on Friday, October 18. (Photo courtesy Paula L. Pedene)

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LUKE AFB JOB FAIR RESCHEDULED

The event is now scheduled for January 22

BY EDWIN ROBINSON
Sound of Freedom Contributing Writer

Luke Air Force Base has rescheduled its annual job fair from this fall to 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 22, at Club 56.

The traditional job fair offers more than 70 companies and employers actively looking for potential employees to fill open positions.

The employers are from various industries including aerospace, financial, construction, law enforcement, medical, hospitality and all levels of government service.

Job hunters are encouraged to be pleasant with the recruiters and be prepared to interact. As the company recruiters introduce themselves, job hunters should smile, make eye contact and offer a brief, firm handshake.

Frequently, the recruiter will take the lead and ask questions, but job hunters should also be prepared for what they want the recruiter to know about them. Job hunters should state why they are interested in a certain company position and how their skills and qualifications



would be beneficial to the company.

As recruiters speak about the company, job hunters should hand their resume to the recruiter and point out the places that validate what they are saying. When the conversation is closing, job hunters are asked to thank recruiter for taking their time speaking with them. Furthermore, request a business card to follow up with the recruiter.

The Luke Air Force Base Job Fair is targeted toward military personnel, military spouses, family members, retirees, Department of Defense civilians and base contractors. Anyone who has base access can attend. ■

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STAND UP for VETERANS

Glendale mayor brings resources together for those who have served

Glendale Mayor Jerry Weiers, shown here at his State of the City Address, is a supporter of veterans. (File photo)

BY KAYLA RUTLEDGE

Sound of Freedom Staff Writer

Glendale Mayor Jerry Weiers is celebrating eight years of serving veterans with the most robust Stand Up for Veterans event yet.

Stand Up for Veterans is a day-long event set for 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, September 21, at Glendale Community College. The gathering features hundreds of booths filled with various resources to help veterans get back on their feet.

No services or items are allowed to be sold at the event at Weiers' request, keeping everything free and totally accessible to all veterans in attendance.

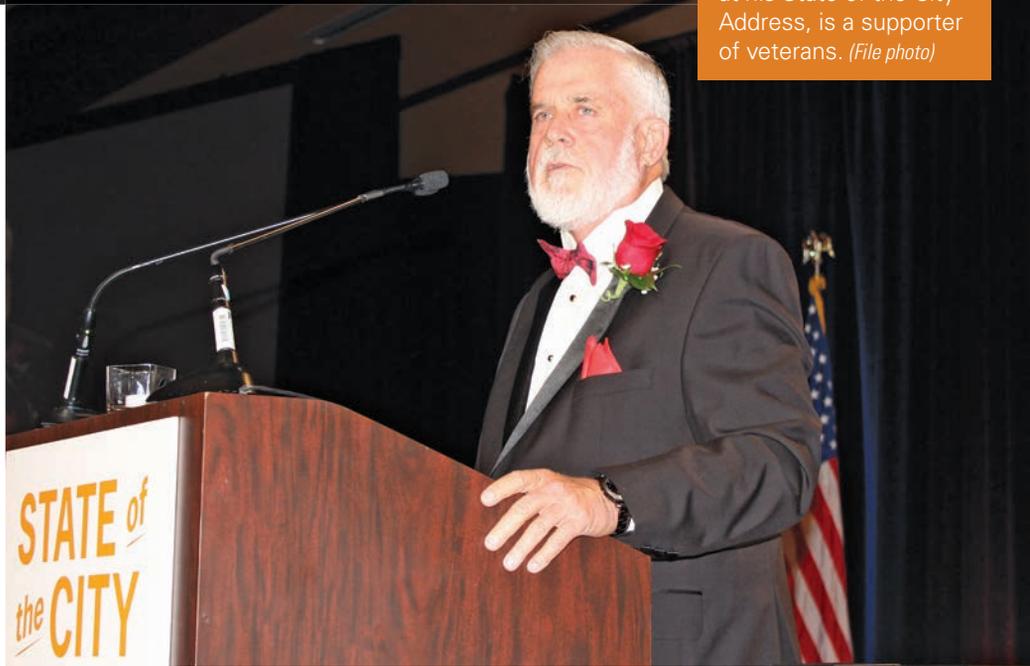
Free legal assistance, opportunities to perform community service on site, Motor Vehicle Division services, job interviews, resume help, social services, applications for health care and benefits, free lunches and free haircuts are all offered throughout the day to both veterans and their spouses.

"You can come in with no job, no license, and community service hours to fulfill in the beginning of the day, and turn all of that around in a matter of hours in one location," Weiers says.

Serving eight years in the legislature as the chairman of military affairs, Weiers says he was able to see some of the country's shortcomings when giving back to veterans through an event called Stand Down a coalition that gives food, water and clothing to homeless veterans.

After attending an event for Stand Down years ago, Weiers says he was inspired to create a day when veterans can be a step ahead, or at least catch up on the things that were holding them back from success, rather than merely helping them survive.

"I know it's not a manly thing to say, but after being at that event I'd sit in the parking lot and just bawl. It was so sad to see these people



put their lives on the line and were willing to give their lives for their country and for our freedoms, and yet their lives are total messes," Weiers says.

The mayor added veterans he has met over the years have had to choose between paying a speeding ticket, paying rent or buying groceries with their family. "It just puts them down this hole that is impossible to come up from," he says.

"I thought I needed to do something different. I thought I don't need to stand down — that sounds like you're kind of giving up. But what if we call it Stand Up for Veterans," Weiers says.

Stand Up for Veterans is not a city-run event, though it has gained the city of Glendale's support.

Weiers started Stand Up for Veterans by using contacts he made during his time in the legislature, admitting at first, the goals of the event were entirely different and have changed over time.

"Eight years ago, the goal was to get people to work. Today, we don't have a lot of people that are out of work, what we have is more jobs available that we have people to work them,"

Weiers says.

"Instead of just offering people a job, let's increase the number of jobs they can do. Let's help them get the education or whatever is necessary to get that pay rise or transition into a more beneficial position."

Through hearing the crowds of more than 1,500 people bring joy to the mayor each year, he says there is one sound that sends chills down his back at each event.

"When one of the veterans is offered a job, they ring this huge bell in the middle of the room. For me, there's just no better sound that day than hearing that bell. That's what giving back to veterans sounds like to me," Weiers says. ■

Stand Up for Veterans
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Teeing Off for Troops

The inaugural Veterans Day Desert Classic hopes to raise \$1M

BY KAYLA RUTLEDGE

Sound of Freedom Staff Writer

When Rob Brown considered hosting a golf tournament, he needed to find a charity partner.

Serving in the Army for four years as a military police officer, Brown didn't need to look very far.

The first Veterans Day Desert Classic golf tourney at Whirlwind Golf Club at Wild Horse Pass will serve as a way for community members, and amateur and professional golfers to come together and raise \$1 million for veterans charities across Arizona.

The primary charity for this event is Folds of Honor, a nonprofit that supports the children and spouses of those killed or disabled in service to our country. Other beneficiaries are American Legion Post 39 family, MVP Merging Vets and Players and Pets for Vets.

"This event actually started with the thought of, 'If I had \$1 million to just give away who would I give it to?' and the answer was pretty easy to come to — veterans," says Brown, senior consultant and part owner of Scratch Golf Events in Chandler.

Taking place Veterans Day weekend, the various golf tournaments that change daily throughout the weekend will include cash prizes ranging from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

The tournaments include two- and four-man scrambles, and two pro-am tournaments. The pros playing on these days will have a tournament within the tournament, with a first-place price of \$10,000. Each pro will be paired with a foursome, who will be playing a four-man scramble. The pro will be competing in a 36-hole tournament with a \$25,000 payout.

Each day will also present golfers with the chance to win the hole-in-one contest for \$1 million. World Long Drive Championship Tour member Dan McIntosh will host a hole-in-two contest on a selected par five. He will take a tee shot and the team members will have the chance to hit their second shot for a trip for two to Pebble Beach.

Though the bulk of the money for veterans will come from sponsorships, Brown says the \$399 amateur registration fee and the \$599 professional registration fee will also go toward the \$1 million goal.



Rob Brown Veterans Golf
Tourney in Chandler, AZ
(Photo by Pablo Robles)

SCHEDULE

Two-Man Scramble

Friday, November 8

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Opening Ceremony: 8:30 a.m.

Shotgun Start: 9 a.m.

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\$25,000 Pro-Am

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\$25,000 Pro-Am

Monday, November 11

Registration: 8 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: 8:30 a.m.

Shotgun Start: 9 a.m.

Brown says they are expecting about 550 golfers from around the state to contribute by registering for the event online. If there's room, walk-ins will be accepted.

Each day will conclude with an awards dinner where golfers can relax while being entertained by comedians Mark Evans and Al Ernst.

After his service in the military Brown worked as a hospitality consultant with Matt Jeffry, who now co-owns the organization with Brown.

When putting together a handful of golf tournaments, Brown and Jeffry knew they found a special business that allowed them to combine their skills in organizing events with their love for charity.

It didn't take long for the two to set up shop in Arizona and open Scratch Golf Events with the goal of serving those in need.

"I respect veterans and their families so much for their lifelong sacrifices to this country. It's really something that hits home for me, so helping them out by hosting events like this is something that's really important to me," he adds.

Though this is the first year for the event, Brown says he anticipates a long and thriving future for the tournament in the area.

"This is a tournament we want to see grow. We want to see that support for our veterans through this event and for every year for it to become bigger and bigger," Brown says. ■

Veterans Day Desert Classic

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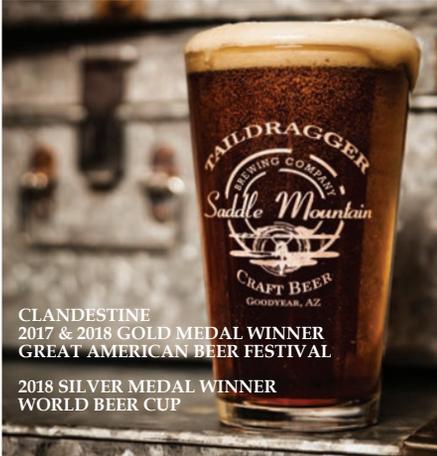
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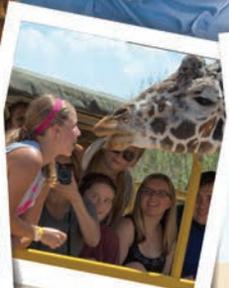
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Gilbert Lopez takes a break from the pump and circumstance that surrounds the introduction of his remodeled home. (Photo by Pablo Robles)

Community rebuilds Glendale veteran's fire-damaged home

BY CARRIE SNIDER
Sound of Freedom Contributing Writer

Gilbert Lopez recently received one of the greatest gifts — a renovated home he can call his own. But more than that, as he looks around at the walls and cabinets and flooring, he knows there is an army of volunteers who care.

Years ago, the home on North 54th Drive near downtown Glendale was damaged by fire. Lopez, a U.S. Army veteran, lived for about five years in the dilapidated home, which didn't have much by the way of plumbing or drywall.

That's when Operation Enduring Gratitude got involved and everything changed.

The Phoenix nonprofit's founder Charles Ellis says this is the fifth house Operation Enduring Gratitude has helped rebuild. The orga-

nization helps veterans by arranging anything from wheelchair ramps to minor touch ups to total makeovers.

"It was basically open to the studs, no insulation, no plumbing," Ellis says.

It was a big job. So, Ellis reached out to Glendale Mayor Jerry P. Weiers, who jumped at the chance to help Lopez.

"I have a huge heart for veterans," Weiers explains. "I started calling people, and soon we had a lot of people who would help."

Many people in the area gladly helped a man they didn't know because they appreciated Lopez's service to his country. Lopez served in the U.S. Army from 1961 to 1964.

G&G Specialty Contractors came on board. Southwest Gas put in a gas line free. American Furniture Warehouse offered a gift card for its store. Blue Star Moms went through his personal belongings, painted and installed cabinets. Even the roof is new.

In all, 24 vendors offered free or reduced-cost products and labor.

Lopez and the team of volunteers met on July 6 for a



Gilbert Lopez and Glendale Mayor Jerry Weiers cover their hearts for the pledge of allegiance during a ceremony to welcome Lopez to his renovated home. (Photo by Pablo Robles)

ceremony for which the Patriot Guard Riders lined the sidewalk with flags.

The Glendale Police Department chaplain started the morning with a prayer. Then Lopez was given another gift — a U.S. flag to display proudly on his new flag pole. The flag had flown at the U.S. Capital, the Arizona Capital, and also the highest point in Glendale.

"I just want to thank everybody," Lopez said at the ceremony. "I was not expecting it."

Ceremony attendees were able to tour the home, which will be a place of refuge for a deserving Glendale veteran for years to come. ■



Gilbert Lopez and granddaughter Bianca Lopez hug after seeing his home that was remodeled by volunteers. (Photo by Pablo Robles)

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Packages from Home

Raising Cane's teams with local nonprofit to pack gifts

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO-KARASINSKI
Sound of Freedom Executive Editor

Raising Cane's continued its commitment to active community involvement by partnering with the Glendale-based military care package nonprofit, Packages from Home, to give soldiers abroad a taste of home.

Valley Raising Cane's crewmembers recently teamed with the public to spend the morning packing gifts for a cause, prizes and free breakfast. At the end of the volunteer event at a local warehouse, Raising Cane's presented a \$5,000 check to Packages from Home.

"It is thanks to generous donations like these and the help of our amazing volunteers nationwide that we are able to provide active duty, veterans and military K9s with requested food, hygiene and entertainment items that help with everyday needs and also boost morale," says Meghan Richards, Packages from Home marketing manager and U.S. Army veteran.

Richards received Packages from Home during her deployment to Iraq in 2006.

"When a servicemember is away from home, loneliness can hit hard. The supplies and words of encouragement we send can truly brighten a soldier's day when it matters most. We are so thankful that companies like Raising Cane's support our mission." ■



From left, Laz Amanatidis, Brit Maroney and Jess Cummins of Raising Cane's present a check to Packages from Home's Magan Richards and Alli Riley. (Photos by Pablo Robles)



Alli Riley helps unload a truck with donated items for troops.



Girl Scouts Madison Bogard, 8, and Sawyer Gleason, 7, donate cookies to the Packages from Home crew.



Jerron Turner checks out the available products for the soldiers.



Natalia Robles, 6, and Tatiana Robles, 5, help fill boxes with supplies for troops overseas.



Joseph Beauchamp, 2, has his hand in the snacks.



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U.S. Air Force Veteran Receives Rental House

BY ANDREA ESTRADA
West Valley View Staff Writer



Jessica Johnson, who was honorably discharged as a senior airman after serving the U.S. Air Force for four years, is re-entering civilian life seamlessly thanks to local development company Christopher Todd Communities and its philanthropic program, A New Lease on Life.

The program, which was created to provide a helping hand up to one person or one family at a time, is currently focusing its efforts on transitioning service members. Through a partnership with Vets' Community Connections (VCC) Maricopa, an organization that connects veterans with resources, Christopher Todd Communities gives one veteran a new home in each new single-family rental home community it opens.

Johnson, who moved into Christopher Todd Communities on Camelback in Litchfield Park in mid-July, is the company's third recipient since the program's inception in 2017.

"Christopher Todd Communities Foundation really wanted to have an impact with veterans, and they didn't know what that looked like," says Joanna Sweatt, VCC Maricopa project coordinator.

"We worked with their team to create the program. We wanted it to be a hand up, not a hand out. We decided that providing a home on a discounted, step-rent-increase every year allows a veteran to be empowered. They can save money, get out of debt they've acquired up to this point and leverage the goals they have," Sweatt says.

Johnson, who will receive one year's free rent followed by two years of reduced rent, emerged as the perfect candidate for the home donation based on her plan to pay it forward,

says Chad Bowman, Christopher Todd Communities VP of operations.

"All of our candidates are already serving in the community and are doing amazing things. But that plan of continuing to pay it forward really becomes a deciding factor. With Jessica, it was clear her plan to pay it forward was great," Bowman says.

Having veterans like Johnson in the community is a win-win situation, Bowman says.

"We feel really blessed and honored to be able to offer this to anyone. It's always interesting to me, as you try to help other people, how it ends up just serving you. As a community, we see that. They serve the residents that live here. They enhance the community. It really comes back to bless us having them here," he says.

Johnson, who is a mother and wife and whose father is ill, says her new home is going to alleviate a financial burden for her family.

"It's amazing that they do something like this for the veteran community — to be able to work my way up. I'm waiting to start a job right now. It's so awesome to be able to do that and to know that I'm going to be able to afford my rent and be able to save money at the same time," Johnson says.

"My parents live right down the street. I'll be able to help my mom while she's taking care of my dad. I'm just so overwhelmed. I'm so happy to be able to move into this house and give my son something that he really deserves. I'm just very, very grateful for it."

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D-backs executive improves lives with baseball



BY CHRISTINA FUOCO-KARASINSKI
Sound of Freedom Executive Editor

Debbie Castaldo speaks at Little League opening day at Willie Bloomquist Field in Tempe. (Photos courtesy Arizona Diamondbacks)

Debbie Castaldo has been with the Arizona Diamondbacks for 11 years, but the former Glendale resident is their unsung heroine.

The honorary Luke Air Force Base commander serves as the team's vice president, corporate and community impact, and executive director of the Arizona Diamondbacks Foundation. The D-backs Give Back efforts include more than \$60 million in charitable contributions to nonprofit organizations throughout the state on behalf of the D-backs and the foundation.

"If you had asked me if I'd ever end up doing this, I never would have guessed in a million years," she said.

"The culture created under (managing general partner) Ken Kendrick is unsurpassed."

When he hired Castaldo in 2009, he gave her a blank canvas — and that was during the financial crisis.

"He said 'We need to do more than ever, so let's get 'em. Let's do this,'" she said. "We started to build a legacy here that started before the team was ever a team. We continued to escalate those efforts. We've become a community leader."

During Castaldo's tenure, community involvement with corporate partners has grown to include integrated philanthropic programs with APS, Arizona Lottery, Chase, Crescent Crown Distributing, Dignity Health, Fox Sports Arizona, Phoenix Children's Hospital, Sanderson Ford, University of Phoenix, Fry's Food Stores and Safelite Autoglass.

She also helped create Gonzo's Hometown Heroes with Luis Gonzalez. In 2014, she worked with Paul and Amy Goldschmidt to create Goldy's Fund for Kids supporting Phoenix Children's Hospital.

"We raise money, but more importantly, we make an impact," she said. "We solve problems for our community. It's hard work. We're out front doing it every single day. That makes this job so rewarding."

The D-backs are committed to the community, she said, and demonstrate it through the D-backs Youth Jersey Program, which provides jerseys and hats to youth baseball and softball leagues in Arizona. This year, with help from Fry's, Tide and Steward Health, the program expanded to 115 leagues and 70,000 players and coaches.

Spearheaded by Castaldo, the team has ded-



Debbie Castaldo, right, and Luke Weaver of the Arizona Diamondbacks visit Raising Cane's with the team's therapy dog, Brenly.



Debbie Castaldo works closely with the Boys and Girls Clubs of the East Valley in her role with the Arizona Diamondbacks.



Debbie Castaldo, second from left, presents Army Staff Sgt. Timothy Smith with a mortgage-free home.



Debbie Castaldo and former Arizona Diamondbacks first baseman Paul Goldschmidt teamed up for Goldy's Fund for Kids. Here, she hands Goldschmidt the Roberto Clemente Award.

icated 42 youth baseball field — mostly in the name of D-backs players and staff.

The team's charitable efforts recently surpassed \$65 million in charitable giving in real dollars. Castaldo's goal is \$100 million.

"In addition to that, we have 120 Little League participants in the youth jersey program," she said. "Our true legacy is to continue to grow the game of baseball and softball at a time when purchasing a baseball glove is out of reach. We want to be the solution to keeping kids on the field."

Getting started

Castaldo earned a degree in business administration and marketing from the University of Texas at El Paso in 1992.

Before the D-backs, she worked for St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center as director

of philanthropic innovation.

Prior to joining St. Joseph's, Castaldo was the director of strategic partnerships for Westcor Shopping Centers, but she began her career in Arizona with Alltel, heading up marketing operations for the wireless company's Southwest region. As general manager, marketing, at Alltel, her responsibilities included marketing, advertising, public

relations, community affairs, sports marketing and product development.

She and her husband, Vince, were introduced to the West Valley through his time with the Milwaukee Brewers' organization.

"We moved to Arizona in '96 initially to Glendale," she says. "We've been in Peoria for 20 years. It's an unbelievable place to raise kids — all the activities, the access to parks, the public schools. We're huge public school advocates."

"I worked on the budget override a few years ago. I really try to give back."

Their sons, Jake and Zack, attended Centennial High School.

Castaldo further made her mark on the West Valley as an honorary commander at Luke Air Force Base, which boasts the Mark

Grace Thunderbolt Field. She was inspired by Lt. Col. Katie (Taboo) Gaetke, the third female F16 squadron commander. She led the 309th Fighter Squadron at Luke Air Force Base. Now she works with Lt. Col. Kristin (Mother) Hubbard, who leads the 310th Fighter Squadron.

"They're completely inspiring," she said. "Katie's husband Matt flies stealth bombers. They're a power couple. I'm very blessed to know them. They're so much fun and they're fun to learn from and observe."

"I admire the roles that they play not only in the entire marketplace and the West Valley, but to get and know their individual selfless approach to protecting our country and trying to raise their kids. It's quite the work-life balance."

Castaldo said the reasons behind her success are simple: she picks topics she's passionate about.

"When you pick things you love and are passionate about, you always find time," she said.

"We do things as a family, too. When you're doing things as a family, it doesn't feel like work. Plus, from myself on down and all the way to the top (at the Diamondbacks), we're extremely passionate, genuine and authentic. We love doing what we're doing. When we see a child having success in school and in life, I know some of those lessons were learned on a baseball field." ■



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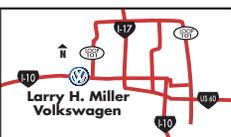
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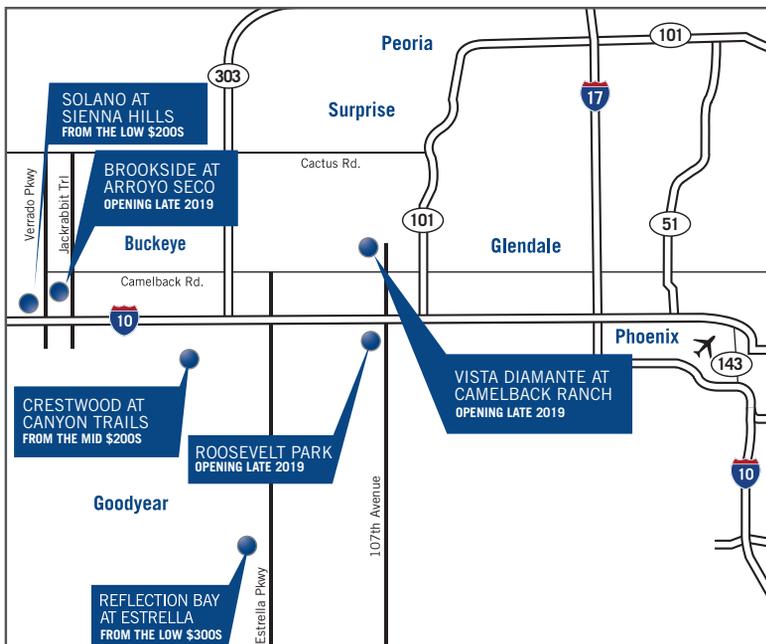
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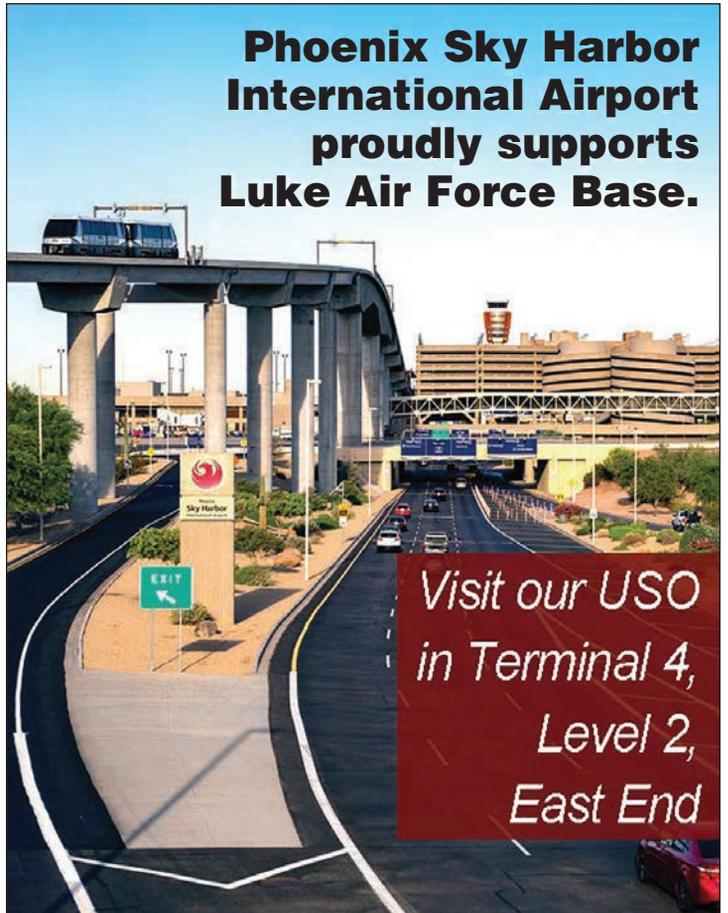
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Veterans will be able to access VA Video Connect, which uses the cameras on computers, smartphones or tablets, to let veterans talk and interact with their VA care team over a live, encrypted video stream, anywhere across Verizon's nationwide 4G LTE network, without incurring data charges.

"Having the availability to VA's telehealth app for streaming live video sessions between patients and health care providers is another

testament to our shared journey to fully integrated, seamless access to health care for our veterans, no matter where they live," VA Secretary Robert Wilkie says.

Accessing VA Video Connect is easy: For iOS devices, VA Video Connect is available at the Apple App Store; for all other devices, a telehealth session launches automatically after a veteran user selects an emailed session.

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APS' Don Brandt rallies civilians to support the troops

BY BRIDGETTE REDMAN

Don Brandt isn't a man who is content to just have his tax dollars do what need to be done for the military — especially when he knows those funds can't stretch far enough.

He also remembers a time when the citizenry of the United States did not treat its military members well, greeting those who came home from the war with cat-calls, anger and rejection. Now, he is in a position to make sure the country does better by the men and women who serve it.

"I can make a difference both to the veterans that we hire and the active duty and veterans in our community," says Brandt, the CEO, chairman of the board and president of Pinnacle West, and the CEO and chairman of the board for APS.

"I've always thought that was an important thing. It came out of my age, the Vietnam era. I saw how military and, in particular, veterans of the Vietnam War were treated, which I thought was a national disgrace."

That's why he's leading Fighter Country Foundation's Luke Forward campaign as the campaign cabinet's general chairman. The cabinet is made up of other CEOs, business leaders and chairmen of major companies who like Brandt, are committed to raising money for Luke Air Force Base.

Luke Forward launched a \$5.82 million capital cam-

paign to fund numerous projects that would improve the quality of life of the servicemen and women at Luke Air Force Base. He's not talking about luxurious items, but things that serve the basic needs of the community.

"I want to provide the men and women — our maintainers and war fighters training out at Luke — the same kind of basic necessities that I would want if my son or daughter were out there," Brandt says.

So why doesn't the federal government pay for these projects?

Since 2010 budget cuts in the Department of Defense, the government has only funded "mission critical" items. Planes, guns and uniforms are funded, but many things such as maintenance or locker rooms or even places to wash your hands before eating aren't covered in the budget.

"You can argue that it is the federal government's responsibility, but given budget constraints, that isn't going to happen," Brandt says.

"A good analogy is that many of our federal national parks are supported by community organizations, just like the Luke Fighter Country Partnership helps support Luke Air Force Base. We've been involved with campaigns helping the Grand Canyon National Park. People in my industry have supported Yosemite or other national parks in their territory. One could make the same argument that it is a federal government responsibility,

A professional portrait of Don Brandt, a middle-aged man with short, light-colored hair and glasses. He is wearing a dark grey suit jacket, a white dress shirt, and a red patterned tie. He is standing with his hands clasped in front of him, wearing a gold watch on his left wrist and a ring on his left hand. The background is a blurred indoor setting with large windows and greenery.

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but you want them to be done well. Public and private partnership — and that's what this is — is (the way to go) if something needs to be done for men and women who are willing to put their life on the line.”

Brandt has been with this project since its inception in 2015, chairing the original assessment committee that worked with base leadership to determine the projects that needed to be done. He says Fighter Country Partnership had a pretty good idea of what the needs were, but it needed to refine the list.

“We had a fundraising consultant up front who assessed what they thought was an aggressive target, a stretch target, but we didn't want to go so far that we were going to fail to meet the total project,” he says.

“We whittled the list down to what we thought were the most compelling stories.”

Now, four years into the campaign, they've succeeded in getting more than half the projects funded and are in sight of their end goal. He expects they'll wrap it up in another year. APS committed \$300,000 to the campaign through its foundation and in October 2018 it issued a challenge to the business community offering to match donations up to \$200,000.

His job as the campaign leader involves calling his cabinet together and inspiring them to find those remaining dollars.

“I have a pretty impressive campaign cabinet,” Brandt says. “They're all business people and community leaders. We get together every six to eight weeks and brainstorm friends, neighbors and business associates. We go knocking on doors.”

He says people are receptive once they hear the story. As a way of helping to tell the story, Brandt arranges base tours for potential donors. They get to meet and talk with those on the base, see the environment they are in and what kind of work needs to be done.

“It makes arm twisting a little easier,” Brandt says. “It's a compelling case.”

One of the campaign's early success stories was the renovation of the flight line kitchen, which serves lunch and dinner to three shifts of airmen. The facility was small, only a hallway with a window and outdoor picnic tables. There was nowhere even to wash their hands after working on the fighter planes' engines.

The campaign raised \$250,000 to fund an air-conditioned all-weather enclosure with

a bathroom and wash station. For those working in the hot Arizona summer with the added heat of jet exhaust engines, it was a welcome facility.

“You had people maintaining the aircraft and the pilots who couldn't even find a place in the shade much less a place to wash their hands before eating a meal cooked in a kitchen area 40 or 45 years old — and looked it,” Brandt says.

“We're not talking a gourmet restaurant. We're talking somewhere you can get a break in a day to have a civilized breakfast, lunch or snack.”

Another of the early projects to be completed was the renovation of the fire station. Luke Fire House No. 1 serves the base and hundreds of calls in a 5-mile radius surrounding it. It was operating with more than 15 years of deferred maintenance.

“They ought to have a decent firehouse to attend to emergencies on base and they are willing to do the off-base calls because they are there and can quickly respond,” Brandt says. “They should be housed in something better than what was getting to be a dump.”

Other projects in this campaign are:

- Honor Guard Headquarters, a 3,300-square-foot space for training, storage and administration, with an adjacent covered area for larger detail training and drill
- Airman Leadership School, adding an additional bathroom, upgraded infrastructure, HVAC, plumbing and electrical and reconfiguration to add capacity and better classroom visibility
- DEK Hockey Rink, a shaded, outdoor DEK rink to enhance morale and squadron team spirit
- Child Development Center, updating 40-year-old kitchen equipment, expanding the pantry and performing deferred maintenance
- Club 56 Conference Center, installing new floors and upgrading kitchen facilities
- Fighter Country Program Support, providing partial annual operating support for two years or until the campaign is complete
- A Salute to Heritage, updating, renovating and improving the seven Heritage Rooms
- Security Forces Facilities, building enclosed briefing facilities that include a briefing area, locker rooms, lockers and bathrooms to accommodate three daily shifts

“He is a proud supporter of our men and women in uniform and wears his patriotism on his sleeve by providing jobs and opportunities to returning veterans.”

—Cindy McCain

These projects are just the latest of a life-long commitment that Brandt has had to veterans and military personnel. On June 20, the Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry bestowed on him the Heritage Award, in part for his passionate devotion to serving veterans. More than 20% of APS' workforce is veterans and Brandt is committed to helping them transition from active duty to civilian life.

“He is a proud supporter of our men and women in uniform and wears his patriotism on his sleeve by providing jobs and opportunities to returning veterans,” wrote Cindy McCain, the chairwoman of the Board of Trustees for the McCain Institute for International Leadership at ASU and widow of Sen. John McCain.

Brandt served as an honorary base commander, giving him first-hand experience of the base and what its members can do. He says the military personnel aren't asking for luxuries. The airmen and women never complain, he says, and are grateful for the things the campaign does for them.

“The men and women at Luke, they didn't get into this business of war to make a lot of money,” Brandt says. “They are some of the most appreciative people you'll ever meet. I've spent a lot of time at Luke. I've never heard them complain about anything. They knew what they were getting into at the military. It wasn't for creature comfort. They're ready to go to war and put their life on the line.”

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Bringing the Zen to the Military



Yoga teacher offering free classes to ease PTSD and other stressors

BY KAYLA RUTLEDGE

Sound of Freedom Staff Writer

Nicole Fonovich has seen “astounding” results when she has veterans and active duty military members in her yoga classes.

So, throughout the year, her Valley-based company, Nicole Anne Yoga, is offering free classes to them to show yoga and meditation can be an avenue to healing.

“When I see the changes that have taken place, it’s astonishing,” Fonovich says. “It’s the shedding of that ‘I need to be tough’ shell that they needed in order to do the job that they did but might not need here at home. It’s asking them to put on a different uniform for that hour of our practice.”

Nicole Anne Yoga is a mobile yoga company and offers services such as in-home yoga and meditation; however, the classes being offered for free are also open to the public in shared spaces.

The classes do not require a membership. While participants are encouraged to sign up in advance, Fonovich says the military can feel free to arrive the day of the event.

“I really just want to give the military members in our community every incentive to give this a try, because the results are truly remarkable,” Fonovich says.

Participants can choose how far they push themselves during the session, and each class caters to all skill levels. Throughout the yoga classes, the instructor demonstrates modified poses, allowing those of all abilities the chance to benefit from the practice.

That goes with Fonovich’s goal when she started her company in 2017. She want-

ed to make yoga and meditation feel much more accessible and far less intimidating for people. Instead of building just another brick-and-mortar yoga studio, she and other highly trained instructors travel around the Valley bringing calming, therapeutic yoga classes directly into people's homes, retirement communities, corporate work spaces and other facilities.

The yoga instructors who work as independent contractors for Nicole Anne Yoga bring with them the serene look and feel of a yoga studio. They're equipped with yoga mats, bolster pillows, yoga blankets, an eye mask and even a yoga therapy table.

A graduate of the Southwest Institute of Holistic Arts in Tempe, Fonovich earned her holistic practitioner degree and advanced yoga training (500 hours certified). She specializes in teaching yoga nidra, sound healing, restorative yoga, holistic nutrition and life coaching.

Born with a weak back and diagnosed with an autoimmune disease, Fonovich suffered from pain, depression and weakness. She says learning yoga — and eventually learning about sound healing and medita-

tion — helped increase her strength mentally and physically.

She is also a survivor of childhood trauma. She turned to yoga and meditation for self-healing instead of prescribed medication.

After finding success in a holistic approach to her mental health, Fonovich started to help those facing similar struggles with post-traumatic stress disorder by offering free yoga to those who needed it most.

"You don't have to look too far or too hard to figure out the people who could probably use this practice is right here in our military communities," Fonovich says. "They face so many struggles and internal chaos, what I wholeheartedly believe can really help is guided stillness and silence."

Fonovich stresses that yoga does not always require moving, stretching and twisting like a pretzel. There are several types of yoga, including yoga nidra, that only requires participants to lie on the floor, breathe deeply and relax.

The owner and instructor says her goal is to give veterans the tools necessary to incorporate what they learn into their everyday lives.

"We want to rebalance them, to recalibrate these veterans so they can live a happy and healthy, adjusted life here instead of carrying the trauma that they've been carrying to be stronger in a different way," Fonovich says.

"We offer a space to work through some of those unspoken issues while they're in complete control as to what their practice looks like. There's a sense of peace and freedom that comes from what we do."

Fonovich also encourages military members to bring their spouses, who are also not obligated to reserve a spot in advance.

"The family will grow stronger together as they heal together," Fonovich says.

In addition to yoga and meditation, Fonovich says there are a wide variety of offerings that can aid military members in their healing and recovery from trauma. ■

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The idea for Cider Corps came about after Sgt. Jason Duren, USMC, Ret., hit two improvised explosive devices in Afghanistan in 2012. (Photos courtesy Cider Corps)

Perfect Pairing

Cider Corps teams with Myke's Pizza to expand services

BY SHANE CROWE

After breaking ground as the state's first cider house, Cider Corps has teamed up with local pizza guru Myke Olsen to expand the distillery into a space where pizza and cider can be enjoyed together.

The idea for Cider Corps came about after Sgt. Jason Duren, USMC, Ret., hit two improvised explosive devices in Afghanistan in 2012. He suffered a traumatic brain injury that required speech and cognitive therapy, part of which required Jason to engage in activities with a set process.

Cider inspired him after he tried it in Ireland for the first time. He spoke to his brother, Josh, who had it in Canada. The two embarked on cider as a hobby and as part of his cognitive therapy.

"We thought, 'That might be fun,' and it fits in with everything my doctor's telling me to do," Jason says. "There's a recipe that you have to follow, you can make changes to it, you either try to replicate it or think of things that are different."

To prepare for his business venture, after he medically retired in 2014, he used the GI Bill to go to ASU to study sustainable horticulture.

Before his schooling, he didn't understand the science behind cider.

"As I was going through school, and Josh and I were doing this hobby at home, I started to understand a little bit more of the science behind it," Jason says. "I would take stuff into school and get advice from teachers."

From there, the brothers perfected their signature cider formula using a process called malolactic fermentation, which maintains apples' sweetness. Jason says this makes for a smoother, less tart cider.

The brothers then made numerous connections in the community and eventually acquired their building.

"Since then we've become friends with so many other makers out there," Jason says. "We've started to accept other people into our family."

This is certainly the case as Cider Corps has now brought in Myke's Pizza as a permanent fixture in their distillery, serving pizza from 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays to Saturdays. When Myke's Pizza is not open, Cider Corps has a rotation of food trucks at the

cider. Cider Corps is open seven days a week.

Myke Olsen and Manoly Kladovasilakis began making pizza at an outdoor pop-up a little over two years ago. They spent two nights a week outside Mezona Market and eventually added a night outside Cider Corps.

"Myke had these little grills that he was cooking on," Jason says. "This dude is ranked in the top two of pizza makers in Arizona, and he's cruising around (in) a little pop-up."

The union was set in motion during the next





Josh Duren, left, and Sgt. Jason Duren, USMC, Ret., own Cider Corps.

10 months, according to Kladovasilakis.

“I personally didn’t want to spend another summer outside,” Olsen says. “Being outside for another summer would be pretty miserable. We did that last year and we made it work but we definitely don’t want to do that again.”

To make room for Myke’s Pizza, Cider Corps moved a large chiller to make room for a brick-and-mortar oven, and added 2,000 square feet for additional production equipment.

The pizza duo is translating the pies they already make from a grill to a more traditional brick oven. Eventually they hope to add new menu items such as sides, appetizers and desserts. Olsen describes his pizza as artisan, wood-style, Neapolitan pizza that are \$10 and \$14.

“For me, I’m just trying to make pizza that I want to eat,” he says. “Ultimately, my goal has been to create a community and to create a space where people can enjoy themselves and connect with one another. I want them to have a cool place where they feel welcome and safe; a place where the craft of what we’re doing can be honored, because I feel like in Mesa, it’s kind of underserved in terms of food and drink.”

Jason expressed similar sentiments.

“We’re veteran-owned. We work with a lot of veteran organizations, but it’s not just that,” he says. “Sometimes it’s about rebuilding a community, especially in kind of a broken area. It’s really important to show that partnership. We’re fortunate that this took off and we’re fortunate that we’re able to give someone an opportunity to come from a pop-up to a brick and mortar. It’s crazy how it’s all happened.”

Olsen hopes people will visit Myke’s for the pizza the same way they come to Cider Corps from far and wide for the craft cider.

“I would love for it to be a destination,” Olsen says. “Last fall we took a trip to Portland for the specific reason of eating pizza. I would love for our spot to turn into something like that.” ■

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Business Ship Sails

Navy veteran brings oil and vinegar flavors to Glendale



BY ADIANNA BERMUDEZ
Sound of Freedom Contributing Writer

In New York, near Skaneateles Lake, Marcia Cosentino found herself in an olive oil and vinegar shop for the first time.

“It was like walking into a wine barrel,” Cosentino says of the intimate shop.

After tasting the olive oils and balsamic vinegars, Cosentino realized her love for them. “Now every city I go to, I visit the olive oil store,” she says.

An Ohio native and ASU alum, Cosentino lives in Glendale just a few miles from her own olive oil and balsamic vinegar store called Artisan Olive, which opened in April. A Navy veteran, and a mother of three veterans, Cosentino offers a 10% discount to veterans, military personnel and first responders.

Artisan Olive is long and narrow, like “a bowling alley,” Cosentino jokes. Lined up against the dark walls are fustis, stainless steel containers with lever spigots, that contain a variety of flavors of olive oil and balsamic vinegar supplied by Veronica Foods Co. in California. Above the fustis are photos that depict the olive oil and balsamic vinegar production process. Italian music softens the air.

“I wanted something rustic,” Cosentino says. “I wanted it to be a space where people were comfortable.”

Cosentino carries three types of olive oils and more than 60 flavors. The single varietals are the plain extra virgin olive oils (EVOOs) from Australia, Chile, Portugal and Italy used to create the fused and infused varieties. The fused olive oils are made by crushing fruit, herbs and/or vegetables with the olives. (Cosentino’s favorite is green chili olive oil.) Infused olive oils are made by soaking the flavor in the oil after it has been made. Cosentino uses the butter olive oil on popcorn.

“Olive oil is fresh and tastes great,” she says. “Once you taste real olive oil, you’re willing to drive a couple miles to get it and not buy what’s in the grocery stores.” Other flavors include garlic, basil, blood orange and chipotle.

Cosentino carries 12 white and 12 dark vinegars. All the vinegars are from Modena, Italy, making them authentic balsamics, Cosentino says. The vinegars can be



Marcia Cosentino, a Navy veteran, offers discounts to military members and first responders at Artisan Olive in Glendale.

(Photo by Pablo Robles)

used for salad dressings, meat marinades and to flavor water.

"I've had mothers buy it and put it in their children's bottles," Cosentino says. "A little bit of strawberry or raspberry vinegar in the water can make it more palatable for children." Other flavors include coconut, lime, espresso and dark chocolate.

Cosentino offers a 200-milliliter bottle for \$12, 375-milliliters for \$16 and 750-milliliters for \$30.

Cosentino recommends mixing olive oils and balsamic vinegars. Her favorite pairing is green chili olive oil and mango balsamic vinegar. The mildly sweet mango vinegar tones down the sharpness of the green chili olive oil making the perfect pairing of sweet and spicy.

Cosentino is passionate about cooking with olive oils and balsamic vinegars. She welcomes conversations about recipes that use her products to their full potential, and she hopes to inspire people to make olive oil and balsamic vinegar a bigger part of their diet.

Guests can try the oils and vinegars with bread. She, however, prefers to sip it right out of the sample cup.

During high school, Cosentino was inspired to join the military by a female neighbor who was in the Army.

"I never even knew women could go into the military," Cosentino says. "From that moment on, that is what I wanted to do."

She started the process by chatting with a Navy recruiter in high school her sophomore year. On September 20, 1972, Cosentino was sworn into the Navy.

"I went to boot camp in Orlando," Cosentino says. "Over the door

of our barracks, there was a sign that said, 'Through these portals pass the greatest women on Earth,' and, as an impressionable 18-year-old, I thought, 'This is the coolest thing in the world.'"

At the time, women were not allowed on Naval ships, so Cosentino was stationed at Roosevelt Roads, now a public airport called José Aponte de la Torre Airport, in Puerto Rico and worked in the port control office. She was stationed there until she left the military in 1975.

Cosentino's oldest son, Zeke, was a military policeman in the Army Reserves. Her second oldest son, Zachary, was in the 82nd Airborne Division, an airborne infantry division in the U.S. Army, from 2010 to 2015. During this time, he completed a tour in Iraq. Afterward, he joined the National Guard for which he served in Afghanistan.

Cosentino's youngest son, Michael, was a combat engineer in the Army from 2009 to 2013. He completed two tours in Afghanistan and received a Purple Heart after surviving a roadside bomb. Fortunately, at the time of the explosion, Michael was inside an armored vehicle. No one was severely injured and there were no fatalities.

"I am very proud of all three of my sons," Cosentino says. ■

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The Perfect Storm

Luke AFB veteran creates furniture out of the monsoon's chaos

BY OCTAVIO SERRANO
Sound of Freedom Staff Writer

Todd Langford found his passion for woodworking when he was living on an Iowa farm at age 8.

"There were Amish sawmills everywhere where I grew up," Langford says. "I didn't like working at the farm, so I spent a lot of my time at the sawmills. I loved being in that environment."

Roughly 40 years later, Langford opened Chequest Millworks in Peoria and, unlike other woodworking companies, he gets his materials from trees knocked down during the monsoon season.

"We do dining room tables, some mantle pieces, some kitchen counter tops and conference tables," Langford said.

Langford joined the military after he graduated high school in 1989 and retired from the Luke Air Force Base in 2015. He was committed to the Air Force but felt a strong connection to woodworking.

"I really got the bug again when I was in Alaska seeing the saw mills — especially the ones along the beach," Langford says. "They would pull the logs that would wash up from the ocean."

As Langford prepared to retire, the Small

Business Administration sponsored a week-long class during which he had the opportunity to present his business plan. Langford researched monsoons and their damage.

"We got with 18 different tree service companies across the Valley and looked through their records over the last 24 months," Langford says. "Just across these 18 tree service companies, there was over \$1 million worth of hardwoods a week that had gone to a landfill."

When Langford found out how much potential there was, he said he felt excited to take advantage of the resources. It took Langford roughly eight years to gather the materials to be fully operational.

Chequest Millworks does not focus on mass producing items, but rather on producing unique "heirlooms," Langford says.

"The last dining room table that we delivered weighed about a 1,000 pounds," Langford says.

Because these are bigger pieces that customers are ordering, Langford says Chequest Millworks includes the family during the piece's creation.

"We choose a log and we set up a time for the family to come here," he says. "We put it on the sawmill and the whole family gets to run the sawmill together to mill out the material for their heirloom table. Family is the

Chequest Millworks produces family heirlooms created from trees knocked down by the monsoons.
(Sound of Freedom photo by Octavio Serrano)



Chequest Millworks' logo is dedicated to Langford's granddaughter, Caroline McComb, who battled cancer when she was 6.

most important thing here."

Chequest Millworks is deeply rooted in family. Langford says many people think the company's logo, "CM," stands for "Chequest Millworks." It's in honor of "Caroline McComb," his granddaughter who suffered from cancer at age 6.

"She went through hell on earth and we thought we were going to lose her," Langford says. "We did not anticipate she was going to survive after she got down to 41 pounds, but kids are tough and she's in perfect health now. We wanted to continue to honor her by using this brand in our furnishings."

Langford is meticulous in his work, and customers must be prepared, he said. Rather than building something that is easy to produce, Chequest Millworks aims to provide its customers with a unique piece.

"If you're willing to wait a year and you're willing to work with us and accept that mother nature is in charge, odds are it'll turn out beautiful, but they have to change their mindset," Langford says. ■

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Verrado Alumnus Set for Air Force Academy

Price Johnson goes from varsity soccer to computer science

BY GRIFFIN FABITS

Sound of Freedom Contributing Writer

Price Johnson always was intrigued by the military. Plans for life after high school — which would begin after he graduated from Verrado High School last May — had yet to be cemented.

It was only August 2018 at this point — several weeks into the school year — when Johnson's interest in the military heightened.

An Air Force Academy alumnus ventured out to Verrado High School to speak to several students who were toying with the idea of joining a military academy. Johnson was one of them, though this was the first time he had learned what a military academy was and all the opportunities that came with it.

And his intrigue spiked.

“The thing is,” Johnson says, “not a lot of people know about what service academies do, so I went home and researched, talked to my parents about it. One thing I had always talked about was the military in general, but then I found out the academy was a way to really get a superior edge in my career path and in my life.”

Johnson applied to the U.S. Air Force Academy, and months later, was admitted. He officially signed his commitment to the academy in early June.

The path to get there was a lengthy, exhausting process.

He first needed to receive a congressional nomination from an Arizona representative. He then had to interview for a spot in front of four military academy alumni, given a series of challenging, thought-provoking questions in Prescott. He also had to be in good academic standing — the academy requires around a 3.9, Johnson graduated with an unweighted 4.0 — as well as top-notch physical condition.

Johnson had to pass a physical test that included pull-ups, push-ups and a mile run. He also needed to prove he possessed strong leadership and communicative skills, in which he cited his membership to both the National Honor Society and student govern-

ment at Verrado.

“It took me a good three, four months to get everything done,” he says.

As if the application process wasn't strenuous enough, Johnson initially heard back from the academy in early spring and was informed he had not been selected. A disappointing development, he slowly began to concede to the fact that perhaps the academy wasn't meant to be.

But he still clutched on to the hope that it was, even after he applied and was accepted to ASU.

In early June, however, the academy reached back out to Johnson. He had planned to be at ASU in the fall, with classes already selected and a roommate picked. But a spot had opened up for him in Colorado Springs, and the academy inquired Johnson about his interest in still attending. He only had a handful of days to make this decision.

He deemed this final opportunity was too strong an offer to pass up. He accepted its offer days later.

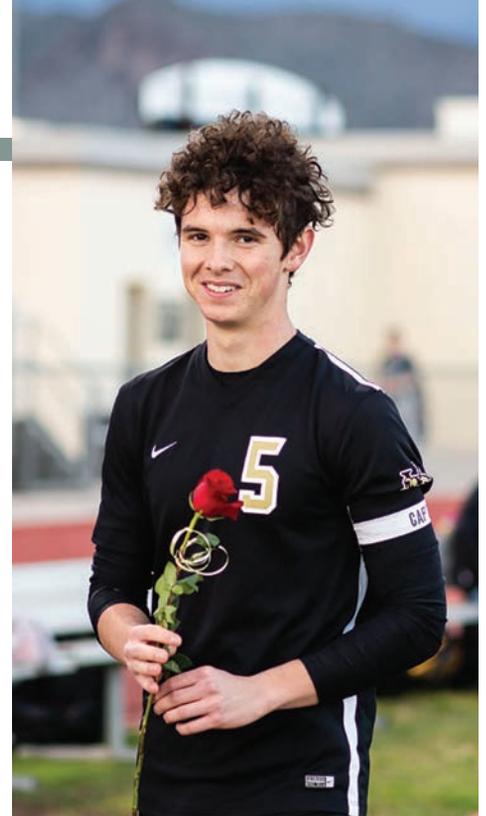
He packed his bags and left for Colorado Springs, basic training and his new life on June 23. His first day of the five-and-a-half-week basic training process began June 27.

The last three years at Verrado, Johnson was a member of the varsity soccer team as a defenseman. He played in 43 career games, a centerpiece in getting the Vipers to the postseason the previous two seasons. He was named to the 5A Desert West Region All-Region First Team this season. He also netted Verrado's 2019 Most Outstanding Player Award.

Johnson also compiled a two-year stint on the varsity tennis team his last two years of high school.

At the Air Force Academy, Johnson will major in computer science. By furthering his education in the academy, he believes he'll gain a competitive edge over others in his career field.

“I hope to be coming out of this with the amount of discipline, respect, responsibility — just a whole new look on life; a whole new way



Price Johnson, a three-year varsity starter for the boys' soccer team at Verrado High School, committed to the U.S. Air Force Academy in early June. (Photo courtesy Trisha Madrid)

of living my life based on the standards I'd have learned at the academy,” he says.

Coupled with gaining an advantage by studying at the Air Force Academy, Johnson also believes he received an edge over others by growing up in Verrado. It's in a smaller town, Buckeye, which made it more difficult to receive a congressional nomination. Students who attended high schools in larger cities have easier access to a congressional representative, he says, so it was instilled in him that he must work twice as hard as someone with similar aspirations in a neighboring town.

Because of his commitment, Johnson is required to put in five years of service in the academy following his graduation from the university. He can choose to be done entirely after those five years. If he chooses to stay in the service for another 20 years, however, he'll receive full retirement, he said.

“My end goal is to work at a government agency, and I thought this would be one of the best ways to get there,” he says.

Johnson's first trip home is slated for Thanksgiving break, the first opportunity he'll have to return home to see family and friends. Aside from that, he's mostly looking forward to the career opportunities the academy will present, and the person it'll likely mold him into.

“I'm looking forward to just seeing where I go in life. It's something new, for sure.” ■

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New Partnership

Vet Tix, Fiesta Bowl and Cheez-It Bowl agree to work together

BY KAYLA RUTLEDGE
Sound of Freedom Staff Writer

At least 700 veterans will have the chance to attend the College Football Playoff Semifinal game for the next four years thanks to a partnership between Vet Tix and PlayStation Fiesta Bowl and Cheez-It Bowl.

Vet Tix helps link veterans and first responders from around the nation with free tickets to events of all types including sporting events, fine art shows and concerts.

Tickets are given to the organization then passed along to veterans who have created a profile through Vet Tix, been verified as a military member, and are invited to the event.

Vet Tix Chief Marketing Officer Al Maag says the tickets are normally seats that have not been filled for events, but some organizations like the PlayStation Fiesta Bowl and Cheez-It Bowl donate prime tickets.

“Donations like this are huge. All of the donations we get mean something,” Maag says. “I’ve seen how this affects people personally. It can change the life of someone with PTSD who can’t get out of the house. It can change the lives of families who are new to the community because of their military status. The impact these tickets have go beyond making memories and smiles are so significant.

“We are so blessed these organizations choose us to donate these tickets to because they really do go toward a great cause.”

Vet Tix began changing lives in 2008 and has since helped more than 1.3 million members connect with free experiences near them.

“About 75% of our folks in the military community can’t afford these tickets. I mean some of the tickets we get are pretty pricey,



but some of the people who get their hands on these front-row tickets to big sporting events probably couldn’t pay for even the nose-bleed seats,” Maag says.

The tickets are free but can come with a maximum \$14.97 shipping charge.

“This is really a game changer for a whole lot of good people out there,” he adds.

Maag says Vet Tix normally receives blocks of tickets, making it likely for veterans and military members to be sitting next to one another, “expanding on their

sense of community.”

Though more than 7.4 million tickets have been given to military members since the organization’s start, Maag says Vet Tix does not intend on slowing down even after Veterans Day celebrations come to a close.

“Some people only celebrate those who have given everything for our country for just one day,” Maag says. “Well, every day is Veterans Day for us, because we will never forget those who have sacrificed so much for us to enjoy these events ourselves.” ■

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Michael Sbraga filling a box.



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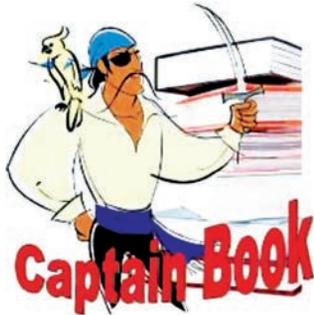
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