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Honoring Governor Rose Mofford

Yesterday, Arizona's first female governor and trailblazer, Rose Perica Mofford, passed away at the age of 94.

Born in Globe, Arizona, Governor Mofford began her work in public service in the Arizona Treasurer's Office, the Tax Commission, and served as business manager of the Arizona Highways magazine before becoming assistant secretary of state in 1953, a position she held for 22 years. Then, in 1977, Governor Mofford succeeded Wesley Bolin as Arizona's Secretary of State.

In 1988, following the impeachment of Governor Evan Mecham, Mofford became the 18th Governor of Arizona.

As Governor, she formed the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs, established the Governor's Youth Commission Against Drugs, and oversaw the creation of Arizona's first statewide Drug Prevention Resource Center.

Yesterday, Governor Ducey shared "Rose Mofford's story is a truly unique Arizona story. Rising through the ranks of state government to our state's top office, she shattered a once-thought-unbreakable glass ceiling and served as an unparalleled role model to many. She was nothing short of an Arizona treasure, and will be deeply missed."

In honor of Governor Mofford, Governor Ducey has ordered that all state flags be lowered to half-staff.

CSA extends our condolences to her family and friends.

For more information on services honoring Governor Mofford, please [click here](#).

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Coconino County Manager Named Flinn-Brown Fellow

Coconino County Manager Cynthia Seelhammer was named a Flinn-Brown Fellow by the Arizona Center for Civic Leadership. Cynthia will be one of the 36 individuals from across Arizona to participate in a 12-part seminar series led by Arizona policy and political experts.

"I am honored to be one of the 2016 Fellows of the Flinn-Brown Civic Leadership Academy and look forward to building on my 30 years of experience in local government," Cynthia Seelhammer said. "Public service is at the heart of my professional development."

The Flinn Foundation is a Phoenix-based private, nonprofit, organization founded by Dr. Robert S. Flinn and his wife, Irene P. Flinn, in 1965 with the mission, "To improve the quality of life in Arizona." Along with the Arizona Center for Civic Leadership, the Foundation supports the advancement of Arizona's bioscience sector, arts and culture in Arizona, and the Flinn Scholars Program.

For more information about the Arizona Center for Civic Leadership and its programs, visit www.azcivicleadership.org.

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CSA County Budget Tour



This week CSA took state legislative and executive staff on a County Budget Tour of Cochise and Graham counties. The tour consisted of budget briefings from each county over the course of two days. The briefings were conducted by county supervisors, management and budget staff. They covered a variety of issues, including:

- The budget process
- Major issues facing the county
- Revenue and expenditure projections
- Unique threats to the county
- Cash flow management

While in Cochise County, the state legislative and executive staff had the opportunity to tour the Cochise County Juvenile Detention Center and the Cochise County Superior Court.

CSA would like to extend our gratitude to the supervisors, managers and staff in Cochise and Graham counties for making this tour possible.

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Canvass: 2016 Primary Election Official Results

On Monday, September 12, the Arizona Secretary of State certified the statewide primary canvass of the election that took place on Tuesday, August 30.

Please click on the following links for the official primary results:

- [2016 County Supervisor Primary Results](#)



- [2016 Legislative Primary Results](#)
- [2016 U.S. Senate & Congressional Primary Results](#)

For more information on the 2016 elections, please [click here](#).

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Surface Transportation Funding Task Force Holds 1st Meeting

On Wednesday, the Surface Transportation Funding Task Force (Task Force) held their introductory meeting.

[Senate Bill 1490](#), sponsored by Senator Worsley, established the 9-member Task Force to review transportation needs and revenue sources in Arizona and recommend specific revenue proposals for dedicated funding sources for specified transportation-related items.



The Task Force is required to cooperate with the Department of Administration to conduct a statewide study to identify vacant or underused buildings owned by the state that could be sold to provide funding for transportation projects. Additionally, they are required to issue progress reports every three months to the Governor and the Legislature and to submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by December 31, 2016. The Task Force will meet every two weeks and CSA plans to offer a county perspective at an upcoming hearing.

Committee members include: Alan Maguire; Jim Rounds (Rounds Consulting); Kevin McCarthy (ATRA), Mary Peters (Mary Peters Consulting Group); Grant Nulle (Arizona Department of Revenue); Julie Pastrick (Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce); John Ragan (AZ Chamber of Commerce and Industry); Michael Tully; David Williams.

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Joint Legislative Audit Committee Hearing

The Arizona Legislature's Joint Legislative Audit Committee met this week to discuss a variety of issues and proposals, including information about the state office of the Auditor General and its divisions, and proposals regarding the compensability of cardiovascular disease and cancer for fire fighters and law enforcement officers. Witnesses at the hearing included Debbie Davenport, the state Auditor General, and Joe Hester, Executive Vice President of the Professional Fire Fighters of Arizona and Senator Don Shooter (*pictured*).



During her remarks Auditor General Davenport described the nonpartisan nature of the Auditor General's office and the major activities the office engages in, such as performance and financial auditing.

Also on the agenda were motions assigning legislative proposals regarding compensation for cardiovascular disease and cancer acquired while on the job as a public safety worker. Both these motions passed, allowing the House Insurance Committee and the Senate Commerce Committee to take them up. Joe Hester of the Professional Fire Fighters of Arizona testified that studies have shown a link between toxins emitted during residential fires and cancer. Representative John Allen stated that while compensability was an important issue, the purpose of the hearing was merely to decide whether or not to refer the legislative proposals to the House Insurance and Senate Commerce committees. Discussion about the actual merits of the proposals would have to await those committee hearings.

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CSA on the Road

Each year after the legislative session ends, CSA staff travels the state to meet with county supervisors and professional staff.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

2016 CSA OUTREACH SCHEDULE		
Date	County	Time
September 19	Maricopa County	10:00 a.m.

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This Week in Arizona History...



On September 16, 1993, Arizona Senator Dennis DeConcini, announced that he would not seek a fourth term to the U.S. Senate. DeConcini cited the "B.S." involved with fundraising as his primary reason for not seeking reelection.

Senator DeConcini was succeeded in the Senate by Jon Kyl.

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Register Now: 2016 DEMA Preparedness Symposium

The 2016 Preparedness Symposium will be held Wednesday, September 21, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel in Phoenix. The Symposium will explore emergency preparedness challenges and opportunities in Arizona, and help develop an inclusive approach to reducing the impact of disasters on people, property and the environment.



The Symposium will focus on cooperation, camaraderie and open conversation around three main topics:

1. Empowering Arizonans to prepare and support our diverse populations
2. Understanding the complexities of cyber and/or counter terrorism
3. Protecting Arizona's natural resources

How to register:

- Free to attend
- Register now at [Eventbrite\(link is external\)](#)
- RSVP no later than September 14

For more information, please [click here](#).

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Upcoming NACo Webinar

The National Association of Counties (NACo) is hosting a webinar and interactive discussion series:

[***County Official's Role in Reforming Criminal Justice Fines and Fees***](#)

This two-part series on county official's role in reforming criminal justice fines and fees will explore the administration and enforcement of criminal justice fines and fees. The second part of the series will be

an [interactive virtual discussion](#) with the presenters to dive deeper into their strategies and allow participants to ask questions. Participants are encouraged to register and attend both parts of the series.

Interactive Discussion: County Official's Role in Reforming Criminal Justice Fines and Fees

- Date: Thursday, September 29, 2016
- Time: 2pm – 3pm EDT
- [Register Here](#)

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