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New Supervisors Spotlight: Supervisor Mike Goodman, Pinal County

With the county elections that occurred across Arizona in 2016, 18 new supervisors were elected to office. With the large number of new faces added to the roster of county supervisors, we would like to take the opportunity each week to introduce one of them, in alphabetical order by county, then district number.

Name: Supervisor Mike Goodman

County: Pinal County

District: 2

Birthdate: February 27

Family: Between Mike and his wife Alice, they are parents to 12 children & grandparents to

24 (and counting!).

Occupation (other than supervisor): Prior to being elected to office, Supervisor Goodman owned and operated his own insurance agency, which is now being managed by his son-in-law. Supervisor Goodman recognized the importance of engaging fully in his new job, and has been dedicated to giving 100% of himself to his new position as county supervisor.

Length of time in Arizona: Supervisor Goodman is an Arizona native, having grown up in the Mesa area, and has been a resident of Pinal County for over 15 years.

Civic organization involvement: He has a love for helping the youth in his community which stems from a rich family heritage and his father's love of helping the people of his community. Supervisor Goodman's father, who as a local business owner and justice of the peace for many years, founded the Arizona Youth Rough Riders (AYRR). AYRR helped troubled youth find purpose in the care of wild mustangs. Supervisor Goodman has spent many volunteer hours working with youth in scouting, coaching sports, and providing gainful employment opportunities for them over the years.

Best piece of advice received: For Supervisor Goodman, his father was one of the most influential people in his life. When discussing some of the best advice he has received, Supervisor Goodman recalled a significant and touching story where he learned a very powerful lesson that he has carried with him his whole life. The advice came from his father who taught him that no matter who we are, we are no better than anyone else and that all people deserve kindness, compassion, and respect.

Inspiration to run for county supervisor: Supervisor Goodman's vision for Pinal County's District 2 is what motivated him to run for office. With the county's rapid growth over the past few years, District 2 now includes over 100,000 residents, and has presented some unique challenges for local government. As a Pinal County resident and business owner, Supervisor Goodman was eager to provide a voice for constituents who felt they were not being heard, with the goal of helping to represent the variety of communities within the county. Supervisor

Goodman believes there is great potential for growth and economic opportunities for all citizens in Pinal County and is passionate about uniting and engaging the residents and local businesses in this effort through leadership, hard work, and optimism.

What are you currently reading?: Supervisor Goodman is currently enjoying reading *The Conscious of a Conservative* by Barry Goldwater and L. Brent Bozell III.

Favorite place in Pinal County: For Supervisor Goodman, his home is definitely where his heart is. He and his wife have a home on almost 4 acres of land, including a little ranchette for his mother-in-law. On Sunday afternoons, the family often gathers to spend quality time together, which is what makes him most happy. Supervisor Goodman explained that he and his wife have worked hard to ensure their home provides a safe haven for their families, providing a positive and comfortable place of peace where family and friends are always welcome.

Most admired Arizona political figure: For Supervisor Goodman, he has a number of people has admired over the course of his lifetime. For his most admired political figures, Supervisor Goodman stated that he always had a respect for Ronald Reagan because he was a no nonsense kind of man and politician, he made decisions that needed to be made, and he was willing to take the lead to get things done. Other admired political figures include Barry Goldwater, Congressman Paul Gosar, and even a local councilwoman from whom he recently learned the importance of utilizing one's own principles and values when making key decisions, especially as an elected official.

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Arizona Republic Highlights Need for County Financial Relief

Yesterday, the Arizona Republic newspaper published a front page <u>article</u> on county cost shifts in recent years: <u>Arizona counties in crisis after a decade of state funding sweeps</u>, *by Rebekah L. Sanders, the Arizona Republic*

We would like to express a special thanks to the county supervisors who shared the local story with Ms. Sanders:

- Mohave County Supervisor Steve Moss
- Graham County Supervisor Jim Palmer
- Navajo County Supervisor Jason Whiting
- La Paz County Supervisor D.L. Wilson

Additionally we would also like to thank Mohave County Sheriff, Doug Schuster, and Mohave County Public Works Director Steve Latoski who took time to share local information with the Arizona Republic.

To read the article, please click here.

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Office of the Governor Presents on Arizona Management System



At Thursday's Board of Directors meeting, Kurt Maurer, the Senior Advisor to the Chief of Operations from the Office of the Arizona Governor presented to county supervisors on the Arizona Management System (AMS) and the positive impact it has had on the streamlining and optimization taking place within Arizona government agencies.

As he took office in 2015, Governor Ducey worked with government agencies to implement his vision for the modernization and transformation of Arizona state government. To achieve this mission, AMS was developed as a tool for employees to learn more data-driven decision-making and disciplined problem-solving skills, with a focus on customer value and continuous improvement. Through collaboration and innovation, Arizona state agencies and departments continue to implement and utilize AMS to work toward achieving the governor's ultimate goal to make Arizona the number one state to live, work, play, recreate, retire, visit, do business, and get an education.

To learn more about the AMS initiative and the work that has been accomplished so far, visit the Arizona Management System website.

Source: AMS

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ADOT Talks Customer Service with CSA Board

During the CSA Board Meeting, Floyd Roehrich, the Executive Officer for the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) discussed how ADOT is using the new Arizona Management System (AMS) to increase efficiency and customer service. Roehrich said the key to AMS is a bottom up approach that receives employee buy-in by having employees contribute to goal-setting and progress tracking. He said that at ADOT many employees and small teams have taken it upon themselves to create their own AMS-style scorecards to track their progress.

Roehrich also discussed areas in which ADOT is trying to improve its level of service and customer satisfaction. Among the listed areas was ADOT's Pavement Management System. Roehrich pointed out that a dollar spent on pavement maintenance today can save seven or more dollars of repair later on. He also shared that ADOT was working on improved project development and delivery, on-time construction completion, and



reducing freeway congestion. Roehrich also described the Next Generation HURF Exchange Program. The program will attempt to complete projects in a timely manner and facilitate the use of federal funds for certain local projects.

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Session Snapshot

Today marks the 103rd day of the 53rd Legislative Session. The legislative session is supposed to last just 100 days, and though that mark is now in the review mirror, the legislature has yet to introduce a state budget. Of the 1,062 bills introduced this year, the legislature has already passed 201 bills, and Governor Ducey has signed 177 of them, and vetoed four.



- CSA's <u>HB 2065 waste tire disposal; continuation</u> (*Coleman*) passed the House on Final Read yesterday 55-1. It now awaits Governor Ducey's signature.
- Navajo County's <u>SB 1316 jail districts; maintenance of effort</u> (S. Allen) passed the Senate on Final Read this week, 27-1. It now awaits Governor Ducey's signature.

For more information on legislative deadlines, please <u>click here</u>.

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National Park Week



"If future generations are to remember us with gratitude rather than contempt, we must leave them something more than the miracles of technology. We must leave them a glimpse of the world as it was in the beginning, not just after we got through with it."

~ Lyndon B. Johnson

April 15 kicked off National Park Week, a time when all Americans are encouraged to celebrate the country's most treasured places, including more than 400 stunning landscapes, iconic battlefields, and historic sites all across the nation. National parks like Yosemite, Zion, and Saguaro belong to every American as part of the National Parks System which was established by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916. Last year the National Parks Service broke records for annual visitation, welcoming more than 330 million visitors from around the world to share our country's great heritage. The ten most-visited National Parks including Yellowstone, Grand Canyon, Great Smoky Mountains, Acadia and Glacier, tallied about 50 million visitors alone.

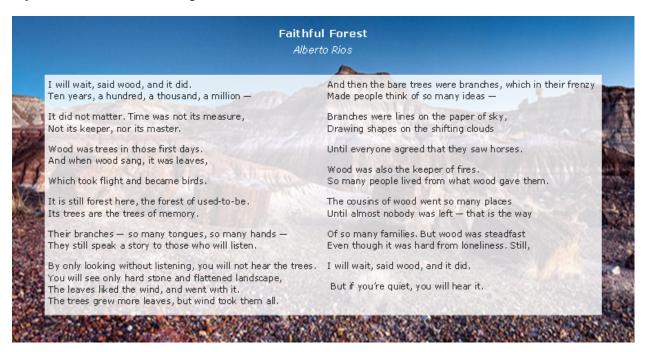
In celebration, each national park in the United States will offer free weekend admission on April 22 and 23, with many featuring special programs to encourage people to explore America's wild spaces and national landmarks — or to discover them for the first time. Visit the <u>National Park Service website</u> for more information and to find out how to visit a park near you. Also, don't forget to share your experiences. Park officials are encouraging visitors to

post their photos, stories, and memories on social media using the #FindYourPark hashtag.

Sources: NPS; Live Science; The White House

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April National Poetry Month



In honor of National Park Week, in addition to National Poetry Month, this week's poem comes from Arizona's own Alberto Ríos, whose poem Faithful Forest exemplifies his experience visiting the state's Petrified Forest National Park

Source: <u>ASU Now</u>

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NACo 2017 Aspire Awards Opportunity

The National Association of Counties (NACo) has launched its <u>2017 Aspire Awards:</u> <u>Creating Opportunities for County Employee Retirement Readiness</u>. It honors and recognizes counties for innovative solutions and for promoting employee retirement savings.



To submit an application, please click here. Submissions are due May 26, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. EST.

For additional information, please click here.

Winners will be notified around the week of June 12, 2017, and the awards will be presented during the NACo Annual Conference in July.

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