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A COOL IDEA FOR SUMMER

The Phoenix Welcomes You Aboard



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Refresh Your Summer On A Lake Near You

PLEASANT HARBOR: LIVING THE LIFE!

It's More Fun At The Lake!

Just forty-five minutes from downtown Phoenix, Pleasant Harbor, located on the southeastern shores of Lake Pleasant, serves as a one-stop recreation spot for lakeside fun.

Pleasant Harbor RV Resort and Marina (www.pleasantharbor.com) is open to the public 365 days a year, and features Dillon's Bayou restaurant, daily boat cruises, sailing, watercraft and Jet Ski rentals, kayaks, and paddle boards, fly boarding, slip rentals and storage, as well as a full service RV resort with 254 spaces with full hook-ups, featuring a clubhouse, convenience store, heated pool, Jacuzzi, and bocce.

A popular activity for all ages at Pleasant Harbor includes a trip aboard *The Phoenix*, a 150-person boat cruise, departing daily, as well as sunset and dinner cruise opportunities (www.lakepleasantcruises.com).

In July, boat cruises include daytime tours Thursday – Sunday from 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Two sunset music boat cruises are offered on July 2 and July 9 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Enjoy live music, cocktails and snacks aboard *The Phoenix*, taking in the breathtaking and majestic sunset.

Visit lakepleasantcruises.com for more information regarding summer sunset dinner cruises as well as details regarding renting *The Phoenix* for your next special event, such as wedding, work outing, anniversary or family gathering.



LAKE PLEASANT CRUISES

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Phoenix for your next special event, such as wedding, work outing, anniversary or family gathering.

"We pretty much have it all," said Glen Vortherms, general manager of Maricopa Water District (MWD), owner and operator of Pleasant Harbor. "With our close proximity to Phoenix, and seven-day-a-week public access, we are one of the hidden gems of the Valley."

For more information about the Pleasant Harbor activities, please call 928-501-LAKE (5253) or visit www.pleasantharbor.com.

Pleasant Harbor (Lake Pleasant) recreational opportunities additional information is available at the following sites:

- Pleasant Harbor.....www.pleasantharbor.com
- Lake Pleasant Cruiseswww.lakepleasantcruises.com
- Dillon's (Bayou) Restaurant ...www.dillonsrestaurant.com/dillons-bayou/
- Go Paddle AZ.....www.gopaddleaz.com
- Pleasant Harbor Boat Rentals ..www.boats4rent.com/lake-pleasant/
- Go Sail AZwww.gosailaz.com
- Lake Pleasant Sailing Clubwww.lakepleasantsailing.com



ON THE COVER

Cruise Through The Summertime

BY CAROL L. ALLEN

The Phoenix at Lake Pleasant is one of several Arizona "ladies" who offer scenic cruises on Arizona's spectacular lakes. From Lake Pleasant to Saguaro and Canyon lakes, these vessels, whom I like to call "hostesses" ply the waters while providing wonderful experiences for their guests.

During the summer heat, *The Phoenix*, *Desert Belle*, and *Dolly Steamboat* invite you to cool off on-board and at the same time you are savoring the scenery, you can also enjoy some dinner perhaps, some music, and definitely, some learning about desert flora and fauna.

Welcome aboard!

IT'S OPEN!

Bartlett Lake Grill Features A Delicious Menu

We've been anxiously awaiting this new restaurant at Bartlett Lake, and the wait is over. Bartlett Lake Grill is open and serving delicious choices to please any palette (including *poutine, which will delight all of us who have experienced this treat in Canada!).



Your Table Is Ready!

From an excellent selection of appetizers, burgers, salads, and sandwiches to a vegan burger, this menu is designed to satisfy a variety of diner preferences. And, of course, the view of Bartlett Lake from the grill's patio is absolutely gorgeous.

So, without further adieu, here is the menu we've all been waiting for —

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DOLLY STEAMBOAT

On Beautiful Canyon Lake, Cruise, Dine, Learn Legends



Experience this spectacular Arizona lake on sightseeing and dinner cruises.

Nestled in the heart of the Superstition Mountains lies spectacular Canyon Lake, home of *Dolly Steamboat*. Continuing a tradition of cruising since 1925, *Dolly Steamboat* now cruises the secluded inner waterways of this beautiful lake.

View the majestic desert big horn sheep, bald eagles and a host of other wildlife, water fowl and birds. Experience the unique ambiance that is created by the sounds of

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DESERT BELLE

Enjoy Spectacular Views Of The Desert Landscape As You Cruise

Enjoy a narrated 90-minute cruise on Saguaro Lake, an easy drive from Phoenix and Mesa. Hop on board *Desert Belle*, a restored sightseeing vessel with spectacular views of the desert landscape. Snap photos of Tonto National Forest, and look for local wildlife such as bald eagles, coyotes and bobcats.

Ride in your choice of an air-conditioned cabin or shaded open-air top deck, with great views from all seats. Drinks are available for purchase on board, or you can upgrade to include preferred seating and one drink.

Highlights of the 90-minute scenic boat ride across Saguaro Lake in Tonto National Forest:

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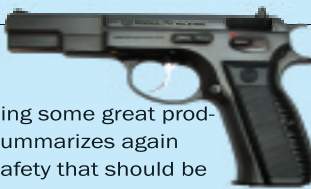
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Tackle & Target

Safety Is Always Number One

In addition to introducing some great products, John Anderson summarizes again the four rules of gun safety that should be engraved on every shooter's brain/Page 7



Land Cruising

Gadgets 'N Gear Add To Camping Fun

Margie Anderson shares some of her favorite picks for making camping an even greater experience — from cooking to charging cell phones/Page 11





We thank both Jill Russell and Tempe Honda for caring. Jill was concerned about a kitten's meow that seemed to be in her car. She went to Tempe Honda, and the service providers there literally took her car apart to see if they could find a kitten. They charged Jill nothing for nearly two hours of work. The kitten was not found, but Jill and the service workers think it may have escaped when they had opened some section of the car.

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DOWNSTREAM: July 2016 Events Calendar

BOATING

2/29/2017 GOAT CRUISE: Sign up now for this family fun goat cruise. Kids are welcome and nannies will be provided. Call Billy for reservations: (619) 523-3091.

LEARN TO SAIL: Current – If you know someone who would like to learn to sail, turn them on to the Arizona Sailing Foundation's Adult Beginning Sailing class.

AZ YACHT CLUB MEETINGS: Second Tuesday of every month 7 p.m. – in the Caddy Shack at Rolling Hills Golf Course, 1415 N. Mill Ave., Tempe; www.arizonayachtclub.org

US SAILING/ RED CROSS ONLINE TRAINING: Ongoing – To make it easier for prospective US SAILING-certified instructors to fulfill course requirements for CPR and First Aid certification, US SAILING teams up with the American Red Cross to provide an online training program. Participants can sign up by visiting www.ussailing.org/training and clicking on the Red Cross Online Training button (towards the bottom of the page).

CAMPING/RVING/AZ OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES



9 PINETOP-LAKE-SIDE: Getting into Nature without Getting Lost (or Hurt!) – White Mountain Wildlife & Nature Center, wilderness orienteering (including GPS), survival and back-country first aid, 10 am, 928-358-3069 or http://www.wmnature.org

Aug. 25: 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

PROTECT-A-PARK: Ongoing – Boaters, anglers, divers needed to adopt Lake Pleasant's shoreline areas and coves for regular litter removal in 2009; (602) 372-7460, ext. 200

CLASSES/SEMINARS

AZGFD, CG AUXILIARY, PHOENIX POWER SQUADRON BOATING CLASSES: Ongoing (See page 3 of this issue.)

COMMUNITY AND SEASONAL

4TH OF JULY CELEBRATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE: For a list, visit – visitarizona.com or tourism.az.gov

EXPOS/SHOWS

15-17 SCOTTSDALE: Arizona Get Outdoors Expo Scottsdale – WestWorld of Scottsdale, come out and get out of the heat, look at all the get outdoors displays, see animals and pick up a gift from our merchandise display, http://www.azwildlifecenter.net/

FISHING

23 SUMMER HAHWG MEETING: July 23 – AZGFD Headquarter Office.

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SRT BASS PHOENIX CHAPTER MEETINGS: Ongoing – Shake, Rattle & Troll BASS Club; volunteers needed; new members (boaters and non-boaters), families, children, friends are welcome; (623) 221-7655

SHOOTING SPORTS/ ARCHERY

16, 17 CROSSROADS OF THE WEST GUN SHOW: Arizona Exposition and State Fairgrounds; http://www.crossroadsgunshows.com/

BEN AVERY CLAY TARGET CENTER: Ongoing – Open seven days a week; (623) 434-8119

WATERSPORTS

Diving
SAGUARO DIVING & SPORTS: Ongoing – Learn to Scuba Dive, Open Water Certification Dives, Private Class & Pool, Private Lake Open Water Certification Dives, San Carlos, Mexico; Lake Pleasant, and more; Saguaro can plan your diving vacation for small groups or just one person. How about Grand Cayman, Curacao, Cozumel, Belize, Roatan, Bonaire, Turks & Caicos Contact Saguaro Diving & Sports, 908 E. Imperial Ave., Mesa, AZ 85204; (480) 507-3988 or sales@saguarodiving.com

Swimming
10 FLAGSTAFF: 31st Annual Mountain Man Triathlon - Lake Mary, Sprint: **swim 700 meters**, bike 10.6 miles, run 3.1 miles; Olympic: **swim 1500 meters**, bike 24.9 miles, run 6.2 miles, spectators free, 6:30 am, 928-526-8761 or http://www.mountainmanevents.com w

WILDLIFE/ ANIMAL-RELATED

MORE EVENTS AT THESE SITES: http://www.hummingbirdociety.org/index.php
http://tucsonaudubon.org/what-we-do/festival.html, http://www.pugetsoundbirdfest.org

9 COMEDY FOR A CAUSE: Benefits Lost Our Home Pet Shelter

30 SPRINGVILLE-EAGAR: 14th Annual High Country Hummers Event – Sipe White Mountain Wildlife Area south of Eagar, Sheri Williamson, one of the nation's foremost experts on hummingbirds, will lead a capture and bird-banding event with a group of volunteers, observe researchers up close as they handle, measure and band these flying jewels, observe hummingbird researchers capture and band birds, a program on hummingbird life history, a program on beginning bird-watching and a live wildlife exhibit, free, 8am – noon, http://www.azgfd.gov/outdoor_recreation/hummingbird.shtml

30 TUCSON: Cool Summer Nights: Creatures of the Night – Arizona Sonora Desert Museum, from bats, to owls to kangaroo rats, meet the creatures that wake up once the sun sets, discover adaptations these animals have evolved for nocturnal living at live animal presentations as well as a special presentation of Creatures of the Night, free with museum admission, 5-10 pm, 520-883-2702 or http://www.desertmuseum.org

30 PINETOP-LAKESIDE: Scaled Creatures Then and Now - Dinosaurs and Reptiles – White Mountain Wildlife & Nature Center, the Dinosaurs Museum shares its latest dinosaur discoveries, and the White Mountain Reptile and Amphibian Rescue brings live reptiles and amphibians, 10 am, 928-358-3069 or http://www.wmnature.org



29-31 SEDONA: 5th Annual Sedona Hummingbird Festival – Sedona Performing Arts Center, presentations by hummingbird experts in many interest areas: science, gardening, photography, conservation and regional species studies, and tours, \$17 for 1-day presentations pass; 3-day presentations pass \$45; children under 12 free with a paying adult, 800-529-3699 or http://www.sedonahummingbirdfestival.com/

19 PRESCOTT: Zoo by Moonlight – Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary, bring a flashlight and see the nocturnal residents, \$5, 8 pm, 928-778-4242 ext. 16 or http://www.heritageparkzoo.org

16, 23, 30 SIERRA VISTA: Guided River Walk - San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area, learn why the San Pedro River has been named one of the "Last Great Places" by the Nature Conservancy, one of the last free-flowing rivers in the Southwest, walks are about 1.5 to 2 miles over easy terrain, dress for hiking and weather, and bring at least one quart of water per person, free; donations gratefully accepted, 8 am, http://SierraVistaAZ.gov

16 PINETOP-LAKESIDE: White Mountain Water, Wetlands and Wildlife – White Mountain Wildlife & Nature Center, discover the importance of wetlands to wildlife, our annual search for water critters at Big Springs, and an update on management of nearby Rainbow Lake, 10 am, 928-358-3069 or http://www.wmnature.org

10, 24, 17, 31 SIERRA VISTA: Guided Bird Walk – Environmental Operations Park, join this guided bird walk led by docents from the Southeastern Arizona Bird Observatory, Huachuca Audubon Society and Friends of the San Pedro River, participation is limited, first come/first served, free; donations gratefully accepted, 7 am, http://SierraVistaAZ.gov

9 WILLIAMS: Bearizona After Dark – Bearizona, for adults 21 & older, hors d'oeuvres and local beer/wine during a 30



minute mixer prior to boarding the Wild Ride Bus for a sunset tour, a special meet and greet with some of our program animals and watch these cute critters paint animal masterpieces, the animal art will be auctioned off to the highest bidder, concludes with a private flashlight tour guided by Bearizona staff, 5:30-8:30 pm, \$, http://www.bearizona.com/

8, 15, 22, 29 PHOENIX: Sunset Tours - Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve, hike the preserve's 1/4 -mile nature trail and experience more than 1,500 Native American petroglyphs in late-day light for optimal viewing, opportunity to encounter a variety of wildlife, learn about the ancient cultures and the archaeological research being done in the vicinity, bring water, reservations required, \$4-10, 7 pm, 623-582-8007 or http://shesc.asu.edu/dv

2,22,28 SIERRA VISTA: Hummingbird Banding Session - San Pedro House, 10 species of hummingbirds use San Pedro River as a freeway between tropical winter retreats and northern nesting grounds, enjoy a fascinating and close up look at these tiny travelers as staff and volunteers from the Southeastern Arizona Bird Observatory capture, band, measure, and release them as part of a long-term study of the bird life of this internationally important migration route, 4 pm, http://SierraVistaAZ.gov

2,11,16,25,30 SIERRA VISTA: Nature Walk - Ramsey Canyon Preserve, see more than 170 species of birds that migrate through and make the canyon their home, learn about the more than 400 species of flora and fauna that make up this geologically unique canyon, and learn about its colorful history, \$6, children under 16 free, 9 am, http://SierraVistaAZ.gov

NO-KILL SHELTER NEEDS HELP: http://animalsbenefitclub.com/index2.html

RAISING MONEY FOR ANIMALS: Ongoing – Heather L. Weaver: www.azanimalassistance.com

Editor's Note: Please submit announcements for AZBW/WOT's calendar of events — "Downstream" — to editor@azbw.com. To guarantee placement, as room allows, items must be received by the tenth (10th) of the month prior to publication. Every effort is made to ensure accuracy, but we assume no responsibility for print errors or omissions. We also reserve the right to edit each item. Please include the name of the event, the date and time, the location, the organization, and contact information.



KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Update your boating safety knowledge

Our waterways are ready, but are YOU? Brush up on your boating skills by taking one of the many Boating Safety Education classes or take one online at www.azgfd.gov/boating.

July 2016

Host	Date and Time	Location	Cost	Registration
Arizona Game & Fish Department	July 9 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Arizona Paddle Sports Education Biscuit Tank at Ben Avery Shooting Facility 4044 W Black Canyon Blvd. Phoenix	\$0	(623) 236-7219
Arizona Game & Fish Department	July 16 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Arizona Game & Fish Headquarters 5000 W. Carefree Hwy. Phoenix	\$0	(623) 236-7219
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla	July 16 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Bass Pro Shop 1133 N. Dobson Road Mesa	\$30	(602) 374-7312
Arizona Game & Fish Department	July 16 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Apex Arms Facility – Green Building 2176 McCulloch Blvd., Suite 8 Lake Haasu City	\$0	(623) 236-7219
Arizona Game & Fish Department	July 23 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Arizona Paddle Sports Education Arizona Game and Fish Region 5 555 N. Greasewood Road Tucson	\$0	(623) 236-7219

August 2016

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Arizona Game & Fish Department	August 27 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Arizona Paddle Sports Education Arizona Game and Fish Region 5 555 N. Greasewood Road Tucson	\$0	(623) 236-7219

Preparing for Boating Emergencies

A safe boater knows how to prevent and respond to boating emergencies.

To prevent from falling overboard:

- Don't sit on the gunwale, bow, seatbacks, motor cover or any other area not designed for seating.
- Don't sit on pedestal seats when underway at greater than idle speed.
- Don't stand up in or lean out from a boat.
- Don't move about the boat when underway.

If someone on your boat falls overboard:

- Reduce speed and toss the victim a throwable personal flotation device (PFD).
- Have other passengers watch the victim.
- Turn your boat around and slowly pull alongside the victim, approaching the victim from downwind or into the current, whichever is stronger.
- Turn off the engine. Pull the victim on board over the stern, keeping the weight in the boat balanced.

Know the Rules: Learn to identify "Navi-Aids"



Arizona law enforcement agencies write many citations for "failure to obey navigation laws." You can help ensure the safety of all on the water by learning to identify these common navigational aids.



Information

Squares indicate where to find food, supplies, repairs, etc. and give directions and other information.

Controlled

Circles indicate a controlled area such as speed limit, no fishing or anchoring, ski only or no skiing, or "slow, no wake."



Exclusion

Crossed diamonds indicate areas off-limits to all vessels such as swimming areas, dams, and spillways.



Danger

Diamonds warn of dangers such as rocks, shoals, construction, dams, or stumps. Always proceed with caution.

Other Non-Lateral Markers

Safe Water Markers are white with red vertical stripes and mark mid-channels or fairways. They may be passed on either side.



Inland Water Obstruction Markers

Markers are white with black vertical stripes and indicate an obstruction to navigation. You should not pass between these buoys and nearest shore.

Mooring Buoy

Mooring Buoys are round and white with a blue horizontal band and are found in marinas and other areas where vessels are allowed to anchor.

Note, the following actions are illegal:

- ◆ Willfully damaging, removing, interfering with, or tying up to a navigation buoy not intended for mooring
- ◆ Mooring, anchoring, or fastening to shore for more than 14 consecutive days any vessel on public waters.

Online Registration Renewal

The Game and Fish online watercraft registration system allows you to renew your registration and have immediate use of your watercraft. Visit: <https://www.azgfd.com/Boating/Registration>. You can also renew your registration by mail or in person at any Game and Fish office.



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Boating

WHAT'S IN A BOAT NAME?

BoatUS Releases 2016 Top Ten Boat Names

A boat name can reveal much about the personality of a boat owner. Are they into fishing? *Reel Therapy* on the boat's transom certainly shows it. Do they have kids in school? *What College Fund?* says it best. Like to sing? *In Harmony* is a popular choice. Work in the finance industry? *Liquid Assets* is suitable.

Regardless of lifestyles, families or careers, choosing a name can be difficult. To help boaters with this task, Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) offers a list of over 9,000 boat

names given by boaters across the country over the last 20 years, and today officially releases its 2016 list of Top Ten Boat Names. They are the following:

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|----------------|---------------|
| 1. Happy Ours | 6. No Regrets |
| 2. Freedom | 7. Liberty |
| 3. Grace | 8. At Last |
| 4. Serendipity | 9. Blue Moon |
| 5. Island Time | 10. Aquaholic |

"Happy Ours may be the most popular boat on a Friday night at the marina,"

See **BOAT NAMES**, Page 15



AT LAUNCH OF BOATING SEASON

BoatUS, NMMA Caution About Fuel Choice, Misfueling Risks

Federal ethanol fuel mandates and changing fuel supply demand boater vigilance.

As the summer boating season is underway, Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) and National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) urge boaters to be mindful when selecting fuel for their boats, especially as the federal government's Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) is increasing the risk of consumer misfueling. Even one mistake at

the pump can be the source of expensive, warranty voiding repairs and dangerous engine failure.

"Boaters can't assume that every fuel sold at gas stations will work in marine engines," said BoatUS President Margaret Podlich, "Boats can only run on 10% or less ethanol content (E10) fuel – and we know many boaters prefer to use etha-



COSTLY MISTAKE — One mistake at the fuel pump this summer could be costly for boaters who misfuel and inadvertently dispense unapproved, high-ethanol blends into the boat's gas tank.

not-free (E0) when possible.

"Unfortunately, as a result of the federal ethanol fuel mandates (RFS), boaters may face a much harder time this summer

finding the E0 fuel they want. And with more E15 (gasoline with 15% ethanol) forced into the fuel supply by the RFS, the threat of accidental misfueling—especially at gas stations with blender pumps—is growing."

NMMA President Thom Dammrich said, "Our priority is always to keep boaters safe. By increasing the share of fuels in the marketplace that are unsafe for marine engines, the federal government's RFS is putting boaters at risk."

"Research shows the costly price of accidentally misfueling a boat with E15 can include stalling, corrosion, fuel leaks, damaged valves and complete engine failure – each of which could put boaters and their safety in jeopardy. Now more than ever, with E15 on the rise, the threat of misfueling is real."

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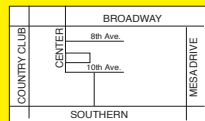
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Pleasant Harbor ... *Living the Life!* at Lake Pleasant, AZ

Celebrate America!

Sunday, July 3

5:00 p.m. Festivities Start

9:00 p.m. Fireworks Begin

Kids Activities • Food & Drink • Music

\$15 gate entry fee (per vehicle)



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+ Restaurant

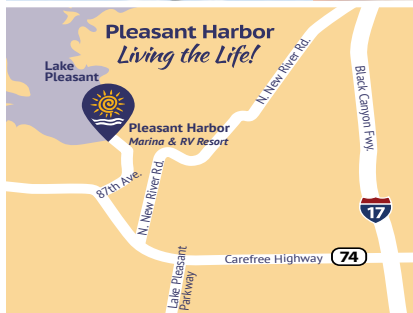
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Boating Safety Made Easy All Summer Long

During May's National Safe Boating Week, many boaters made extra effort to improve their on-water safety. But, after the annual event was over, will they continue to stay vigilant?

"Making boating safety easy to embrace means more boaters will continue to make the effort," says BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water President Chris Edmonston. With that goal in mind, the BoatUS Foundation has three simple tips for boaters that will improve their boating safety game all summer long:

1. Select a life jacket that you will actually wear: Consistently wearing a life jacket may be a challenge for some boaters, but it doesn't have to be. Inflatable life jackets can be as unobtrusive as a small, lightweight backpack worn around the waist or suspenders style inflatable worn over the shoulders.

They don't trap body heat, and give full mobility needed to cast a line or trim a mainsheet. "The best life jacket is the one you'll actually wear," says Edmon-

ston, "And inflatables make it easy to wear because they're so comfortable that you forget you have it on." For more, go to BoatUS.org/inflatables.

2. Take a boating safety education course that's free and easy to get: Learning the rules of the road can be difficult for some boaters as they don't always have the time to take a Boating Safety Course. But all you need is a comfortable chair in front of computer or tablet to take the free online Boating Safety Course from the BoatUS Foundation.

Learning can be paused and picked up again as your schedule permits, and the courses meet boating safety education requirements in 34 states — and may even get you a discount on your boat insurance. For more, go to www.BoatUS.org/courses and click on "State Boating Safety Course."

3. File the uncomplicated float plan you'll do all year: What kind of float plan do you need? Simpler



EASY DOES IT — Inflatable life jackets make casting a line easy and are very comfortable to wear.

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AT LAKE PLEASANT — Capt. Ross Baker is shown aboard his TowBoatUS response vessel.

Red Towboat On Lake Pleasant Has A New Name

For the past eight years when recreational boats have broken down on Lake Pleasant — 300 of them last year alone — the red response boat of Vessel Assist Lake Pleasant has been there to help boaters safely return to the launch ramp. Now the 24-hour on water towing and assistance service has a new name: *TowBoatUS Lake Pleasant*.

The move to rename Vessel Assist to TowBoatUS — with locations in Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, and British Columbia, Canada — recognizes TowBoatUS's standing as North America's largest provider of on water assistance with over 300 locations and 600 towing response vessels.

Having an annual TowBoatUS Unlimited Freshwater towing membership for just \$72 includes 24/7 service not only on Lake Pleasant but also at Lake Havasu, Lake Mohave, the Colorado River, and hundreds of other locations.

"One price provides you service from the biggest on-water towing fleet in America," said owner Capt. Ross Baker. "It's often not a matter of if, but when you'll have the need for on water assistance."

Nationwide, TowBoatUS receives over 70,000 requests from boat owners needing routine help — battery jumps, fuel drop offs, soft ungroundings and tows home. Added Baker, "Having our Unlimited Freshwater towing membership plan is \$72 a year, which is \$6 a month for 24-hour service with no deductibles. Anglers and boaters will never have to ask a friend to spend hours to come up to the lake, search to find you, and bring you safely back to the ramp."

Other than the name change on the

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Tackle & Target



LAKE POWELL FISH REPORT

2016 Is A 'Wonderfully Successful' Fishing Year

BY WAYNE GUSTAVESON

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The inflow to Lake Powell over the past days has exceeded 100,000 acre feet each day. The lake is still rising and will end up at the highest level recorded since 2012.

Fish are excited because the lake is now flooding into green brush and trees. Bass and crappie really like brush habitat. Shad love brush because it helps them avoid the constant barrage of predators that have their eye on them. 2016 has been a wonderfully successful fishing year, so far, and it will continue through the summer into fall.

Go Early!

I have one fishing tip this week that will be the most helpful suggestion to all that use it. Are you ready? The best time to go fishing is at dawn! Okay, that is usually the case but it is really important now.

Our fish are early risers and most active during the first hour of daylight. They stay energized each morning until about 9 a.m. (MST) after which they tend

to dose off until dusk when another surge in fishing excitement occurs. Go early for best results.

Stripers All Day

Stripers can be caught all day long on bait. The standard locations in the main channel are still providing some action but the time between active schools coming under each boat is increasing. Fish are caught more quickly by actively searching for a school in the backs of canyons and coves. Newly reported hot spots include the back of Rock Creek and the cove just north of the floating restroom at the mouth of Rock Creek.

My standard method of locating stripers is working well right now. Troll a medium diving crankbait and graph the bottom contour from 25 - 50 feet. When a fish is hooked or a school seen on bottom, throw a floating marker (or hit a waypoint on the graph) so the school can be relocated quickly. Return to hover over the school, chum with anchovies and get ready to catch a bunch of fish.

Small stripers are slurping on the surface in the midlake areas from Last

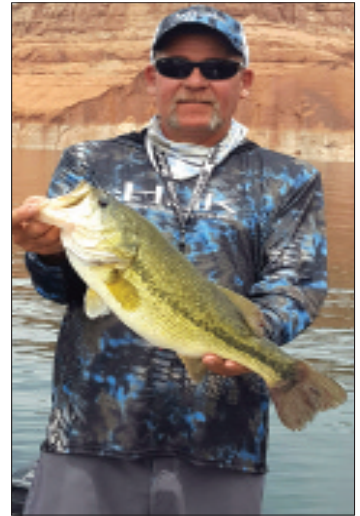
Chance Canyon to the murky water downstream from Good Hope Bay. Slurpers are catchable when casting to the leading fish that change direction and leave the main group. Fish size is usually small but the eating quality of small stripers is superb. Bigger stripers will be working near the smaller fish as the summer progresses.

The other group of stripers which have been ostracized and left the schools are found in shallow water while bass fishing. These fish are long, but thin. These fish should be harvested and disposed of in deep water to reduce competition among the massive steeper population that exists right now.

Smallmouth Bass

Smallmouth bass are still biting like crazy with small fish making up the majority of the bites. You can find bigger bass in 20-25 feet of water about the same distance out from the shoreline. Both singletail and doubletail plastic grubs are working well. Green watermelon, pumpkin, smoked and chartreuse colored grubs

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BIG LARGE — Mike George caught this big largemouth in the back of Rock Creek during the last week of May. It has been a great fishing year for all sport fish. Expect that great fishing to continue through the summer and fall.

GOOD GUN INFO

Safety Is Number One — Always

BY JOHN ANDERSON

If you carry or even own a gun, safety should be your number-one priority. The four rules should be engraved on your brain like your first-ever address. In case they aren't yet, here they are again:

- All guns are always loaded. Treat them that way.
- Never point the gun at anything you are not willing to destroy.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on target (and you have made the decision to shoot).
- Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.

GLOCK launched the annual GLOCK Safety Pledge Drive with the chance to win a 30th Anniversary pistol by helping to spread the word about gun safety. Make the pledge on Glock's safety page at us.glock.com/safetypledge and earn an entry for a custom engraved 30th Anniversary Pistol. Earn more entries by sharing and spreading the word about firearms safety on the GLOCK Safety Pledge page here <https://us.glock.com/safetypledge>.

Promoting Firearms Safety

GLOCK actively works year-round to promote firearms safety across the United States. They proudly join a community of law enforcement, community leaders, businesses, and the firearms industry to raise public awareness about reducing firearm incidents. The responsibility of practicing and promoting firearms safety is an ongoing and everyday commitment. Firearms safety is intrinsically worked into every facet of the company's ethos, from product design to community outreach.

"Everything we do at GLOCK revolves around safety," said Josh Dorsy, vice president of Sales at GLOCK. "From the three safeties built into the product design, to annual donations that support shooting programs that promote safety, to community outreach such as this annual drive. Safety is at the core of all things GLOCK and it is the responsibility of us all to pledge, practice, and



promote firearms safety."

Handi-Racker Helps

Sometimes the slide on a semi-automatic pistol can be difficult to work. Many small pistols have a slide that is harder to pull back because there is less surface to grab as well as heavier springs necessary for the shorter slide and recoil distance. This is even more of a problem if you're older, very young, have arthritis, etc.

Enter the Handi-Racker. This little block-like device makes racking pistols almost effortless. Just put the Handi-Racker on the top of the slide, put the front of the Handi-Racker against a wall or a solid surface, and push the pistol forward. Voila! The gun is racked and ready.

The Handi-Racker is also great for clearing a really stuck jam or for helping you disassemble the gun for cleaning. It's made of extruded polyethylene that won't mar your gun, and comes in two sizes to fit almost any pistol on the market. It retails for about \$30 and you can check it out at www.handiracker.com.

A Good Idea: A Lock Box

If you like to carry a gun with you on your hikes but don't want to keep it on you in the car, you should really consider buying a lock box for the vehicle. You can get one online or at almost any outdoor store. They are metal, lined with foam so they don't damage your gun, and they have secure locks that keep your gun out of the wrong hands.

Airline cable attaches the box to an immovable fixture of some sort in your vehicle so it can't be removed without unlocking the box first. We have two of them



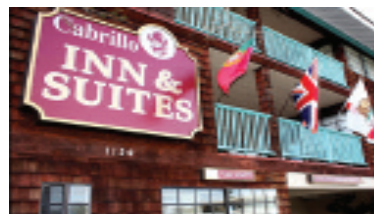
and I recommend them to anyone who transports a weapon. Here's an example of one: http://www.center-of-mass.com/Store_InCarGunSafe.htm.

And Another: Shooting Gloves

Margie has arthritis in her right hand — mostly in the trigger finger and thumb. It has made her trigger finger sort of corkscrew around and has had the effect of making it difficult for her to pull the trigger over and over on her smaller pistols. Something about the small size of the trigger makes her finger hurt. She's been putting a Bandaid on her finger, but I decided to buy her some shooting gloves instead.

These are helpful even if you don't have arthritis, and especially if you are out hunting in cold weather. You can buy good shooting gloves at any gun or outdoor store. Try them on and get the ones that allow you the most dexterity.

Margie only wears them with her smaller guns, and only because she is shooting hundreds of rounds at a time. In an emergency she wouldn't have to stop and pull the gloves on. You may not need them all the time, but they have a place for many shooters.



A Laser Place To Shoot

Going to the range is great, but it's limited — you can't move while shooting, you can't draw from a holster, and you can't engage multiple targets in most cases. You can do all these things at matches and classes, but what if you just want to practice on your own, in private? Finding a place to shoot in the desert is getting harder and harder.

One way you can get a lot of practice is with a laser system that lets you practice shooting at home or wherever you want. One of the coolest I've seen is Laser Ammo (laser-ammo.com). The laser is actually in a cartridge that fits in your gun like a bullet. When you pull the trigger, the firing pin causes the cartridge to emit a laser pulse that you can see on regular paper targets or on anything else. You can also buy electronic targets that light up when the laser hits the mark, and you can get multiple targets packs. A cartridge for a 9mm is around \$100, and interactive target packages range from \$100 - \$350.

But think of the money you'll save on ammo and on gas because you don't have to drive to the range!

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The Life And Influence Of My Brother Bud

BY CAPTAIN DAVE ESPARZA
FLOTILLA 10-11

His full name is Orlan Ross Ginter; his nickname his entire life has been "Bud".

Bud was born May 1, 1939 in Appleton City, Missouri. (That is the same general area that, back in the day, Frank and Jessie James started their career.) He passed over the bar on June 5, 2016 of unknown natural causes; he was 77 years young.

Bud was an avid hunter; he hunted Roosevelt elk in the valleys of Mount Saint Helens here in Washington for many years, as well as white tail and black tail deer, Rocky Mountain goat in the high Cascades. He bagged a moose in Alaska, antelope in Wyoming, and was also a master taxidermist (so you can image what his living room looks like).

My brother was also an avid sports fisherman and commercial salmon/halibut fisherman — and I must not leave out a very successful bow hunter.

Later on, Bud moved into helping the crab fishermen in Alaska move their boats down to Seattle for repair and back again for their next season. After awhile, he became shore based and went on to becoming a custom yacht builder, building yachts from 80 to 100 feet. Not only did he build the yachts, but also he made the molds from

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Gov. Ducey Signs HB 2324 As A Boost To Arizona Military Families

A bill to allow spouses of active duty military personnel stationed in Arizona to qualify for Arizona resident hunting and fishing licenses has been signed into law. Governor Doug Ducey signed House Bill 2324: G&F; military spouses; resident licenses, sponsored by Representative Frank Pratt (LD-8, Casa Grande).

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission voted unanimously at their January 2016 meeting to support this expression of gratitude for the families whose service and sacrifice protect our liberties. Under current law, an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States stationed in Arizona either permanently or temporarily may purchase a resident license permitting the taking of wildlife. HB2324 now extends that privilege to



Ducey

their spouses as well.

"In partnership with Rep. Pratt, the Arizona Game and Fish Department and Commission are proud to honor our active duty military and their spouses.

We thank them, and all our veterans, for their sacrifice and service to this country," said Commission Chairman Kurt Davis.

A valid license is required for taking wildlife, including fish, in Arizona. A resident of Arizona can enjoy the benefits of a combination Hunting and Fishing license, valid for 365 days from the date of purchase, for only \$57.

In general, an Arizona resident is a person who is domiciled (claims the state

of Arizona as their permanent home and principal residence) in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license, permit, tag, or stamp and does not claim residency for any purpose in another state or jurisdiction.

Through the years, the department has consistently implemented programs that provide hunting tags and opportunities for veterans, wounded warriors, and military personnel to hunt on military installations throughout AZ.

The Department also has partnered with non-profit organizations serving veterans so that unused hunting permits or tags may be donated to veterans with service-connected disabilities.

Realtree Sponsors National Hunting And Fishing Day

Annual date to celebrate sportsmen and women set for September 24.

Everything about Realtree is geared toward enjoying and protecting the outdoors. Realtree is once again stepping forward to sponsor National Hunting and Fishing Day (NHF Day). Across the nation, Realtree is conserving our natural resources. The renowned company has set aside funds specifically toward conservation efforts, making it possible for future generations the ability to enjoy the outdoors.

"Realtree is the standard when it comes to promoting responsible conservation for our waterways and public grounds," said Misty Mitchell, director of conservation programs for Wonders of Wildlife. "They've gone above the call to ensure that future generations of anglers and hunters have abundant, healthy wildlife to pursue. We are very excited to continue to have Realtree as a sponsor."

NHF Day is set-aside for sportsmen to



Honorary Chair Johnny Morris

celebrate those conservation efforts. Each year, NHF Day is set to take place on the fourth Saturday in September. This year NHF Day falls on September 24.

Generating more awareness for conservation, NHF Day is dedicated to spreading the word through any avenue

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WAKE ZONE



FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT

Outdoor Enthusiasts Need To Know These Possibilities – Now!

FROM DOUGLAS BURT
HUNTING AND SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM MANAGER, ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

While my focus and much of Hunting And Angling Heritage Workshop Group's (HAHWG's) effort is on recruitment and retention. There are other groups fighting the good fight at a higher level. I got an email from Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation's President Jim Unmacht (they also do the license plate grant program many of us have used) that listed the concerns, threats and challenges for sportsmen on a landscape scale.

And, I said to him, some of us work with kids, others work with legislatures, but we are all together. Below is a bullet-list of what this group is standing up for, while we continue to pass on the legacy, heritage and passion to the next generation. If you're interested in political arena, email Jim at info@azsfwc.org, or sign up for their emails at www.arizonasportsmenforwildlifeconservation.org.

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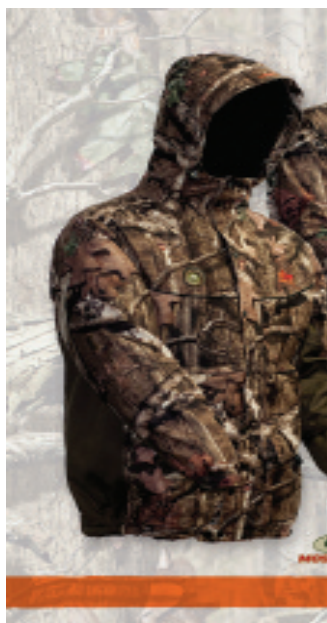
May 2016 Letter Raises Questions Of Serious Concern

BY JIM UNMACHT
PRESIDENT, ARIZONA SPORTSMEN FOR WILDLIFE CONSERVATION
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Greetings all. In this edition of our monthly news, I'm going to pose a number of statements, and simply want you to ponder the issue(s).

So, What Would You Do?

• The Center for Biological Diversity, Sierra Club and others want to add more rules, regulations and restrictions to the



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PLEASANT CATS — Angler Mike Wallace is shown with his flathead cat out of Lake Pleasant. Although he and friends were targeting larger fish (40 pounds or larger), Wallace says that they love catching cats any size. After five runs and three hook-ups, the fishermen landed two.

Arizona Trout 'Amazes' Angler

BY MIKE WALLACE

I have to eat my words "trout fishing in Arizona sucks". I have been spoiled by fishing states like Montana and Utah for trout in double digits. However, a friend, John Waters caught this amazing trout in an undisclosed stream in Arizona.

Waters, after fishing for several hours, thought he saw a large trout in a pool. He cast a crawfish-colored crappie jig tied to 6-pound test mono to the back of the pool. When he began to retrieve, he felt what he thought was a hang-up. However, before he got to the place he thought the large trout was, in frustration, Waters lifted his med-action pole to unsnag it.

Suddenly he realized his line was moving. To quote Waters, "I set the hook and the whole pool exploded". Even then, he still had no idea how big this trout was.

After several runs up and down and across the stream, the huge trout ran downstream and beached on a shallow gravel bank. John then realized how huge this trout was — it weighed in over 20 pounds. Amazing fish!

I understand this fish was stocked, but even so, this was still an amazing fish. Another cool thing was that Waters had a group of Boy Scouts with him. I am pretty sure he has ignited dreams of fishing futures for a new generation of anglers.

MIKE WALLACE

ARIZONA AMAZEMENT — Experienced angler Mike Wallace says, "I have to eat my words 'trout fishing in Arizona sucks'. I have been spoiled by fishing states like Montana and Utah for trout in double digits. However, look at this catch by a friend, John Waters, and yes, in Arizona. I am amazed!



Retired Fire Chief Brings New Life To Old Guns

'And so it was the project began.'

BY MIKE BERGER

It sat quietly in the corner of the shop, behind a group of other rifles. This was the corner where trade-in rifles that were not in the best shape were placed. This particular rifle had begun its life back in 1906, at the Savage Arms factory. It was a Model 1899, with a 24-inch-long barrel in 30-30.

This was a very popular combination for a deer rifle in its day.

I don't know why it attracted attention that day, yet it came out of its corner for examination. The condition could best be described as neglected, and I don't mean short term. The stock had sections missing on both sides from the top tang, back over an inch. The finish was almost non-existent on the receiver, and very poor on the barrel, and yet still, there was something there.

I am sure that there are similar rifles in the corners of any gunsmith's shop. Trade-ins, broken-parts guns, guns too expensive to repair, and thus unwanted. Every now and then comes a time when a project seems like the thing to do. So it was destined to be with the Savage.

So, what to do? How to resurrect this old hunting companion of a time long ago? Its original iteration did not seem



MIKE BERGER

A NEW LIFE BEGINS — Model 1899 is shown with restored receiver, with the barrel attached and the scout rail installed.

like the way to go. As we talked about the project, some pieces seemed to come together. Criteria included compact, fast handling medium big bore, powerful and a mix of old and new seemed to blend well.

Caliber was the first component we explored. What would work in that action without a large amount of work (this idea would later present challenges). The medium large bores contained a mix of old and new, and during the perusal of the loading manuals, Gunsmith Pat Knight found a very interesting anomaly.

The dimensions of the old (1876) .38-55 Winchester were amazingly close to those of the much more recent (1978) and more powerful .375 Winchester. Power levels precluded mixing them in old Winchesters as the design would not handle the pressure (except for the heavily reinforced "Big Bore 94" which was introduced with the .375 Winchester cartridge).

And so it was that the project began.

Editor's Note: I first knew Mike Berger through my late daughter Lisa Brookes-Haws, a retired firefighter/EMT/911 dispatcher and trainer. She was so pleased that her own daughter Kelsee Haws was beginning her fire-science program at Central Valley Institute of Technology

(CAVIT) under the excellent guidance of Chief Mike Berger.

Fast forward to 2016 — Sadly, although her mother Lisa died before she could see her daughter's graduation, Kelsee did graduate from CAVIT in May of this year. And, Capt. Mike Berger, who had been an inspiration to her and many other students, fulfilled his promise to himself to retire from teaching and the fire service to concentrate on the hobby ("project") he mentions above.

Our family knows that his guidance through some difficult times were a huge help to Kelsee as she completed her program. We are forever grateful to him and look forward to many more articles that will take us further into his project.

SOME NEWS FROM HAHWG

This Might Be An Excellent Group For You

If you're interested in outdoor activities and in the participation of future generations, the Hunting Angling Heritage Workshop Group would welcome your input.

FROM DOUGLAS BURT
AZGFD'S HUNTING AND SHOOTING
SPORTS PROGRAM MANAGER

Well, it's starting to feel like Arizona now. I hope everyone is having a good summer and getting a chance to visit the high country as well. The fishing and crayfishing should be great, not to mention the cooler weather and green!

A couple dates I thought you might want on your radar, and for more, visit www.azgfd.gov/outdoorskills for the Google Calendar.

July

Cabela's Hunt University — every Saturday, offer to your students.

July 14 — AZGFD Local Sportsmen's Group grant deadline — apps at www.azgfd.gov/lsg

July 16-17 — Get Outdoors Expo at WestWorld, free booths for HAHWG, contact: —Kayla@r-entertainment.com

July 23 — Summer HAHWG meeting in Phoenix; this is the kick off to the upcoming season and we all benefit when everyone is present.

August

Cabela's Hunt University — every Saturday, offer to your students.

Aug. 1 — License Plate Grant application deadline - <http://www.arizonasportsmenforwildlifeconservation.org/grant-information.html>

Aug. 13-14 — Get Outdoors Expo at Flagstaff, free booths for HAHWG, contact: Kayla@r-entertainment.com

Aug. 13014 — PVC Predator Hunt, great next step for students, or volunteer / mentor.

Be well, safe and see you all soon.

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WATER FOR WILDLIFE

What The Public Does Not Know

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Each year, Arizona's conservation groups help raise close to \$2,000,000.00 through the auction and raffle tags for all of the big game species in Arizona. There are two tags that are auctioned and one tag that is raffled for each of the big game species. Those lucky tag winners / bidders are entitled to hunt one animal for an entire year. When they harvest that animal, their hunt is over. What the public does not know, however, is where all that money goes.

Habitat Partnership Committees

Through a process known as the HPC (Habitat Partnership Committees), small communities across the state gather together and identify projects that can better habitat for all wildlife. The location of the projects is determined by the main species that the project is attempting to help. Those projects typically involve either water or habitat improvements.

The photos in this article take you from the beginnings of a project to completion. These projects are funded by those auction / raffle tag monies. The project in these photos was completed last month just south of Superior, Ariz. The Arizona Deer Association sponsored the work project, which meant that we helped the Habitat Development crew from the Arizona Game & Fish Department during the construction process.



Tank Hole



Tanks Set



Apron Frame Construction

Priceless Water

The cost for this project was estimated to be roughly \$45,000.00. Not cheap by any standard, but the water that this catchment will hold is priceless in an area that simply does not have a running water supply for wildlife. The construction typically takes a week to complete but is years in the planning and approval process.

For those who are not familiar with what a "Catchment" is, if you look at the photos, it is a fairly sophisticated construction that captures rainwater on the



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water tanks. The tanks hold the rainwater and based on a leveling system, the "walk-in-trough" allows wildlife to come in for water to drink. The water never overflows and as each rainstorm or monsoon brings in new water it replenishes the supply.

Ingenious Application

It seems fairly simple sounding but rather ingenious in application. This catchment had a total of four tanks that each hold 2500 gallons of water below ground. The water held in these tanks will feed the run into the trough and keep water available for wildlife year round.

You Are Invited To Help

There are many conservation groups in the state that participate in these work projects and all actively invite non-members to come on out and help if you want to get a feel for how we attempt to help wildlife. I will be more than happy to direct anyone interested to a group that does these on the ground projects if someone is interested in giving a hand. JK



Plumbing



Sub Structure Posts Set

metal apron. The apron is slightly pitched so that it flows off the apron into a series of pipes that go into the below ground



The Volunteers



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AWESOME FOR CAMPING AND TRAVEL

‘Gear Up’ Summertime Is Outdoor Time

BY MARGIE ANDERSON

Every summer we pack up the grandkids and head for the hills for a week or so of hiking and outdoor fun. I’ve been going camping, hunting, and fishing since I was a kid so I have a lot of experience with various kinds of camping gear.

When my dad and my brother and I went camping way back in the day, all our gear was U.S. Army surplus. This meant everything for cooking was metal and weighed a ton, our tents were olive drab canvas and weighed a ton, our packs were olive drab canvas and weighed a ton — you get the picture.

These days, campers, RV’ers, hunters, and hikers and preppers have a lot of great stuff to choose from. Here are a few I really like.



BioLite Kettle

BioLite

My latest big purchase is a BioLite stove, kettle, and grill. This sweet setup not only burns wood as cleanly as gas, it will also run on twigs, pine cones, wood pellets — pretty much anything combustible. Not only that, it generates power while it cooks. On the side is a usb port so you can charge your phone or power the little light you can buy with the stove. I got mine free in a special package deal they are running.

What’s even better about BioLite is that the company is on a mission to bring energy to the world. They say that home stoves in underdeveloped countries account for more greenhouse gases than all the cars in the world. Also, the women in these countries spend over ten hours a week looking for fuel.

Their BioLite HomeStove reduces particulates and carbon emissions by up to 90 percent, and requires 50 percent less fuel than a regular open fire. Their combustion technology cuts CO₂e emissions by 2.5 tons a year. BioLite Home Stoves are changing people’s lives all over the world, and when you buy a campstove, part of the price goes back into their mission. It’s an awesome deal.

NanoGrid

In Arizona we have monsoon storms that sometimes knock out the power for hours or even days. With the BioLite I’ll be able to cook, charge my phone, and light up the night no matter how long the power stays off. Too bad they don’t have a mini fan or AC unit! They do have systems to light up a room — the NanoGrid is a basically a small lantern that also stores and shares energy. You can string overhead lights onto it to light up your camp or your room, or you can charge your Go-Pro or your phone several times. When it runs out of juice, you can recharge it at home in an outlet, or in your car, or off your BioLite Stove.

The NanoGrid costs just under \$100. The CampStove bundle that I bought was just under \$200. They also have 5-watt solar panels, one with a battery that stores energy until you need it, and one that charges your electronics without storing power. You really should check out their Web site and see all the great gear they have and read about what they are doing for the planet. Go to bioliteenergy.com.

Travel, Camp Light

We went to Israel for a 12-day tour a couple of years ago, and I packed really light. For instance, did you know that there is such a thing as disposable underwear? Socks, too — they are cotton and feel great, but at the end of the day, you just toss them in the trash instead of packing them in your suitcase. No more carrying around dirty shorts and socks for two weeks.

Also, I bought small packets of Tide laundry detergent designed for use in a sink. Our fishing clothing is lightweight and designed to dry very quickly, so at night I’d wash our lightweight pants and shirts in the sink and hang them in the shower. They were dry by morning. This method works well for hotel travels, but



Crave Charger

what about camping? Well, I just found a Scrubba on Groupon and bought one.

Scrubba

The Scrubba is a laundry-washing bag that has internal washboards — little knobby bumps that massage and scrub your laundry. All you do is put the clothes, water, and detergent inside, close and deflate the bag, then rub from the outside for up to three minutes. Voila! Your clothes are clean. Just rinse and dry.

The basic Scrubba is \$55. They also offer a lightweight microfibre towel that helps you pre-dry the clean laundry (roll and squeeze), and they even have a Scrubba that is also a backpack. Also available: portable clothesline and inflatable hangers for perfect drying.

The Scrubba also doubles as a dry sack. Put your stuff inside the Scrubba, seal it shut, and rain and water can’t get to your gear. This thing would have re-

ally come in handy on the Colorado River rafting trip we took a few years back. No worries — we’ll put it to good use when we kayak the Gila Box. Check this stuff out at thescrubba.com.

Charging The Smart Phones

My granddaughters and I all have Apple iPhones and we love them. I have apps on mine that show me trail maps and GPS info, and that makes hiking so much more fun. It’s always good to know where you are, right?

My granddaughters are practically physically connected to their phones, and when we are traveling, they are constantly texting, *Snapchatting*, *Instagramming*, and *Facebooking*, all of which use power. Oh, the angst of a low battery warning when the day is still young!

Usually we can charge them up via the car usb port, but that requires a lot of time and a long cord. Plus — there are two granddaughters back there. I think I have finally solved that problem.

I recently purchased a Crave Travel Pro 13000mAh Dual USB Ultra-High Density Power Bank on Amazon for less than \$26. This thing will charge two devices *at the same time* and will charge your phone four times before needing a recharge. This is wonderful. It’s also compact and light enough that I won’t mind having to put it in my backpack (because Grandma carries *everything* when we’re hiking).

I’m looking forward to having this in the back seat on our trip to Southern Arizona this summer. Another plus — this will come in very handy if the power goes out this summer.

Intex Two-Way Pump

We have a couple of Coleman inflatable mattresses that we use when we are tent camping, and also at home when we have guests in numbers that overflow the guest room. We used to use a rechargeable electric pump to fill them, but invariably when we pulled it out of the closet it was dead.

We had a battery powered one, but it took 4 D batteries, weighed too much, and constantly ran out of power. To solve that problem, we bought an inexpensive Intex two-way pump. This means it blows air when you depress and then also when you pull the handle back out. I have



CampStove Bundle

The package I bought is the CampStove Bundle. With this I can grill, cook, boil, and charge. Got the light free with it. The little stove creates smokeless wood flames and the grill is a really good size and attaches super easily.

The KettlePot comes with a bowl that fits inside, and insulated handles that fold against the sides for storage and fold out for use. There is also quite a bit of spare room inside for whatever you want — ground coffee maybe, or compact cups and bowls. You can cook and pour out of this — the design is great.



A VITAL REMINDER AGAIN!

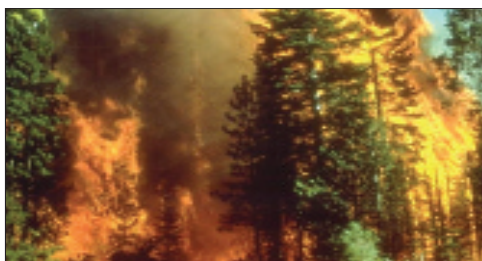
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- Campfires should always be attended by a responsible adult.
- Only burn locally purchased firewood.
- Firewood collection is prohibited on parts of the forests. Check with local Forest Service offices regarding restrictions.
- Keep your campfire to a manageable size.
- Burn the wood completely to ash.
- When extinguishing your campfire, drown with water, stir the ashes and feel for heat. Repeat as many times as need to ensure your fire is out cold!
- Remember if it's too hot to touch it's too hot to leave.
- Be a good visitor and leave your



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Mesa Boy Scouts Clean Up National Park

More than 50 Boy Scouts and Scout Leaders converged on Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, June 2, 2016, to tackle one of the parks biggest preservation challenges — graffiti.



Troop 154, Miramar Ward, Citrus Heights Stake, based in Mesa, Ariz., volunteered to remove graffiti carved into the red rocks of Glen Canyon as part of a week-long scouting adventure. Scouts were able to explore some of the most scenic country in Northern Arizona, while learning about

the natural history of the area, and making a difference through service.

Based On Outdoor Adventure

"Scouting is so based on adventure in the outdoors," Graham Johnson, Scout Leader, and father of two of Troop 154s scouts, said, "it marries perfectly with getting to work outdoors in the national park and get to serve others. That's what we really want these boys to learn, the value of serving."

Cooper Brown, who is working on becoming an Eagle Scout and will be a senior this year at Mountain View High School, said he thinks a lot of people don't know that carving on the rocks in a national park is wrong.

"I don't think people do this because they're bad you know," Cooper said, "I think they think it's not a big deal, but they don't realize carving their name on a rock that's 190 million years old, and it's permanent. It ruins what nature gave us."

Graffiti Removed

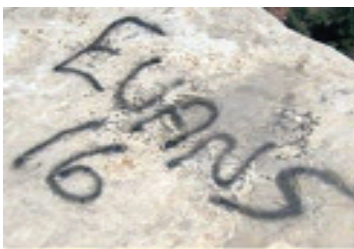
Troop 154 removed graffiti from a popular scenic overlook where visitors can see Glen Canyon Dam and the Colorado River below.

"It was really fun being able to work with my friends in such a cool [place]," Mason Adams, 16-year-old Eagle Scout, and junior at Mountain View High School, said. "It's a really cool spot where you can see the dam and everything. Why would you want to ruin this? If you want to paint something, get a canvas."

Cindy Stafford, the Interpretive Ranger who coordinated the graffiti cleanup, said projects like this help clean existing graffiti, but also help prevent future instances through education.

"The interesting thing is that young males are typically the ones carving the most graffiti in Glen Canyon, but here you have a nice group of energetic, hard-

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GRAFFITI – The National Park Service Investigative Services Branch and US Park Rangers at Grand Canyon National Park are seeking information about two individuals who may have vandalized rocks near the Yavapai Geology Museum. In late May, a visitor at the South Rim of Grand Canyon observed a couple spray painting graffiti on rocks, the visitor was able to capture images of the individuals and the vandalism. The individuals painted "Evans 16" on a rock feature and left the area before Park Rangers could contact them. If you were in the park that day and possibly saw these individuals near Yavapai Geology Museum; or if you recognize them from the image, please contact the NPS Investigative Services Branch anonymous Tip Line at 888-653-0009.

CAMP GEAR

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no idea how that works, but this pump is awesome.

I can fill up one of those mattresses in no time, and I never have to worry about

the batteries dying or the charge going south. You can get them for as little as \$10 on Amazon, so it's a steal. You can also use them to pump up pool toys, etc.

Summertime is outdoor time, so gear up and get out there and have some fun!



Campers Need To Be Bear Aware

As many people celebrate the summer weekends by going camping, the Arizona Game and Fish Department reminds campers and all outdoor recreationists to be bear aware. A few simple precautions can go a long way towards protecting both people and bears.

"Humans are usually to blame for bears that become habituated and lose their fear of people. Bears quickly learn to associate campgrounds with food sources, placing both people and bears at risk," says April Howard, a department large carnivore biologist.

"We say 'a fed bear is a dead bear' because once a bear is habituated through human actions, it may be euthanized due to the threat it poses to people."

Campsite food sources can include uncleaned BBQs, used plates, discarded wrappers, food stores and pet food. The food odors attract bears that have a very keen sense of smell — approximately seven times better than a bloodhound and 100 times better than a human.

Take these immediate steps to minimize bear encounters:

- Keep a clean camp. Store food items and trash away from your tent or sleeping area. Even an empty food wrapper can attract a bear from a long distance.
- Wash up before going to bed to eliminate odors.
- Put food waste and garbage in a secure location such as a bear-proof dumpster.
- Carry bear spray.
- Encourage others to take these precautions. Discouraging bears from a campground requires everyone do their part.

If you do encounter a bear, try to scare the bear away by making yourself look as large as possible, making loud noises and throwing objects towards it. Do not run. In the rare event of a black bear attack, fight back aggressively and use bear spray.

Arizona has had one fatal bear attack, which occurred in Pinetop in 2011. However, there are numerous reports each year of bears in close proximity to humans that could lead to serious injury or even death.

For more information or questions on living with bears, visit the department's Web site at www.azgfd.gov/urbanwildlife.

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Kartchner Caverns State Park Hosts Summer Moonlight Hikes

Kartchner Caverns State Park (near Benson, Ariz.) is much more than a stunning cave with the world's most diverse minerals and formations. Rangers will offer a unique hike on the Foothills Loop Trail during the full moon on select Saturdays through September 2016 (dates below).

Visitors should meet at 6 p.m. at the front of the Discovery Center and wear suitable clothing and shoes, bring water and a flashlight. Visitors may bring a camera and/or binoculars, but it is not necessary. The cost is the \$6 per vehicle park entrance fee. Email reservations@az-stateparks.gov to make the required reservation.

Be sure to include contact information and number of people in the group.

WHAT: Moonlight Hike on the Foothills Loop Trail (Moderate Hike 2.5 miles long)

WHERE: Kartchner Caverns State Park - Located southeast of Tucson on



Highway 90, nine miles south of Interstate 10 near Benson.

WHEN: Saturdays: July 9; July 23; Aug. 6; Aug. 27; Sept. 10 at 6 p.m.

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For information about all 30 Arizona State Parks and Natural Areas, the Trails and Off-Highway Vehicle Programs and State Historic Preservation Office call 1-877-MY-PARKS or visit AZStateParks.com.



VINCENT VAN GOGH — captured the idea of an illuminated evening in his painting "The Starry Night". And, just recently, because "starry nights" are particularly clear in the Grand Canyon National Park, The National Park Service (NPS) and the International Dark-Sky Association (IDA) have announced that GCNP is now a Provisional IDA International Dark Sky Park. IDA established the International Dark Sky Places conservation program in 2001 to encourage communities around the world to preserve and protect dark sites through responsible lighting policies and public education. Many of the best-protected night skies in the country are found within national park boundaries. Grand Canyon joins eleven other national park sites certified by IDA. Including Grand Canyon, eight of the national park sites with IDA Dark Sky Park status are located on the Colorado Plateau. The NPS especially focuses on sustainable outdoor lighting because it combines technology, design, and practice in a way that allows parks to increase energy efficiency and enhance visitor experiences.

Tonto National Forest Releases Travel Management Draft Decision

The Tonto National Forest released a draft decision on the Travel Management Project today, which designates a system of roads, trails, and areas for motorized use, as well as prohibits general cross-country travel.

Not Everyone Will Be Happy

"I realize not everyone will be happy with the decision. It is the Tonto National Forest's best effort to strike a reasonable balance that is responsive to the vast majority of public input the Forest received," said Neil Bosworth, Forest Supervisor.

While Bosworth recognizes some users' favorite routes may no longer be open for motor vehicle use, the Forest tried to provide a range of opportunities across the Tonto National Forest. "I know motor vehicle users like to ride loops and visit a variety of scenery. We tried to provide for those opportunities while simultaneously protecting natural resources and provid-

ing for those who seek a more quiet recreational experience on the Forest."

Seven Years Of Planning

This draft decision comes after a seven-year planning process that included extensive public participation and review of more than 5,000 miles of roads and trails. During this time, the Tonto National Forest has provided a number of proposals for a designated road and trail system to the public for review and comment.

These public comments were used to develop a comprehensive analysis called the Final Environmental Impact Statement, on which the recent Travel Management draft decision was based.

This decision provides a starting point for management of motor vehicle use on the Tonto National Forest in compliance with the Final Travel Management Rule.

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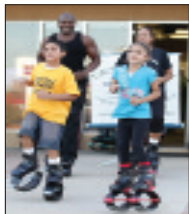
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Arizonans Invited To 'Beat The Heat' In San Diego

The Maritime Museum of San Diego offers four great events to lure locals and visitors alike.



California Away Trip

Monday, July 25 through Saturday, July 30

Join us as we set sail to the beautiful waters of The Channel Islands of California aboard the schooner Californian. Each voyage offers a unique perspective on seamanship, maritime history and the awesome beauty of the Pacific Ocean. The Channel Islands adventure sail will use the tall ship, Californian, as our base camp for a kayaking adventure. Exploring by kayak is a great and fun way to get up close and personal to all of the sights. The crystal clear waters provide excellent viewing of the rugged shoreline, hidden

coves and the underwater marine preserve. Colorful sea stars, flying fish and bright orange Garibaldi are just some of the amazing sea creatures surrounding the island. All onboard meals, Kayaks, life vests, paddles, and safety equipment are included.

Sip N' Ship Beer Festival

Saturday, Aug. 20

Save the date for our Sip N' Ship Beer Festival! The Maritime Museum of San Diego is partnering with Rock Star Beer to bring you a unique Craft Beer Festival aboard our historic vessels. VIP Tickets are \$50 and allow for early access. General Admission tickets are \$35. There will be food trucks on site with many delicious options! Visit www.sdmartime.org for more information.



To The Brink Of War Now Open!

This summer, a new and exciting audio-visual exhibit will open on board the Museum's Foxtrot Class Soviet-era submarine. Visitors will learn what it was like to command and crew one of these vessels during the height of the Cold War. This will be an interactive history lesson that goes far beyond recounting life on board a Russian submarine. These events will be brought to life using historical archival footage and a gripping audio drama. Museum curators anticipate that this will

be the first of a series of animations to be installed as permanent exhibits.



Sea Chantey Festival

Sunday, Aug. 28

For centuries, sailors have honed their shipboard skills to the cadence of songs recounting the adventure, tragedy and romance of life at sea. These "sea chanteys" and the sailors life they describe, come to life aboard the Star of India. The music begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 4:25 p.m. with a group finale.

Best of all, the whole event is included with Maritime Museum admission at no extra charge. Visitors will enjoy sea chanteys and traditional folk music performed by popular local and national artists such as The Jackstraws, The Bilge Pump band, Gilman Carver and more. *Star of India* sail crew will demonstrate various shipboard skills traditionally accompanied by sea chanteys and visitors will have a chance to join in and raise the sails of the historic ship.

SeaWorld® San Diego Offers A Great Summer Escape

A diverse lineup of performing artists, nighttime animal shows and fireworks make SeaWorld the place to be this summer.

SeaWorld® San Diego has a summer full of good times and good vibrations that will transform the park with extended hours, dazzling live entertainment, nighttime animal shows, spectacular fireworks and more! Running through Sept. 5, SeaWorld stays open late on select nights. The party kicks into high gear June 25 when Summer Vibes performances reverberate throughout the park's Mission Bay Theater.

"We are excited to bring top tier and exciting entertainment to our guests this summer," said Rick Schuiteman, SeaWorld's vice president of entertainment. "We take pride in our ability to not only provide meaningful experiences that educate and inspire our guests to connect with animals, but also entertain with awesome shows, rides and attractions."

Summer Is Best Time

Summer is the best time at SeaWorld. Guests can take in all of their favorites by day — "Dolphin Days", the "One Ocean Shamu" show, the "Shark Encounter", the double-launch coaster Manta, and more — then stick around to enjoy a whole new park after dark. Shamu's Celebration: "Light Up The Night" nighttime killer whale show and the hilarious "Sea Lions Tonight" sea lion and otter show will amaze visitors while the "Celebrate the Wonder" fireworks display will cap off the perfect evening at the park

Back for its second season is the incredible performing artists' series SeaWorld's "Summer Vibes" presented by Coca-Cola. Three international variety acts are bringing their talents to the Mission Bay Theater on select dates through August 14. The acclaimed, world's first 3D dance troupe, Freclusion, continues Summer Vibes July 2–5 and 9–12.

"Gazillion Bubbles", an unbelieveable extravaganza of bubble artistry, lasers and out-of-this-world special effects, will leave guests spellbound July 16–19, 23–26 and July 30–Aug. 2. The final act to take the stage for Summer Vibe is "Fighting Gravity", a one-of-its-kind performance group that will mesmerize audiences by combining black light illusions with dance August 6–14.

'Good Vibrations' Continue

The good vibrations will also reverberate in the plaza just outside the theater every Summer Vibes' night with Top 40 hits spun by DJs that include Channel 93.3's Marc Thrasher. The party-like atmosphere will be ideal for guests to dance and soak up the fun.

"Cirque de la Mer", one of SeaWorld's most popular daytime shows is back this summer with amazing acrobatic, aerial and trapeze artists' performances on and over Mission Bay.

New this year is pro hydro flight athlete Jake Orel. Orel, who finished second



'ONE OCEAN SHOW' — Kasatka is shown performing the old show *The Shamu Adventure*. Since then, the stage has been redesigned twice to accommodate the newer and present day *One Ocean Show*.

in the 2015 North American Flyboard Championship, will keep guests on the edge of their seats at Cirque Stadium as he defies gravity on his hydro jetboard. Propelled by a powerful stream of water, Orel is lifted out of the water as high as 30 feet to dive, flip and spin in a mind-bending aerial freestyle demonstration.

With so much to see and do, guests can feel the good vibrations at SeaWorld all summer long.

Seasonal Events

In addition to the Summer Vibes, other upcoming seasonal events include SeaWorld's Halloween Spooktacular® (weekends September 24–October 30); and SeaWorld's Christmas Celebration® (November 19, 2016–January 1, 2017). Visit www.SeaWorldSanDiego.com or call (800) 257-4268 for hours and information.



SAFETY — As part of its ongoing product evolution, SmartPlug Systems has incorporated several upgrades into its 30A connector. The BF30 30A Retro-fit Connector ushers in a new standard of safety for RV (and boat) owners.

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The Final Rule, established in 2005, directs each forest to provide for appropriate motorized access and motorized recreation opportunities while protecting important forest resources and non-motorized recreation opportunities.

Provision For Objections

Today's release of the draft decision is subject to the pre-decisional objection process described in 36 CFR Part 218, Subparts A and B. Objections must be filed within 45 days of the publication of the legal notice announcing the draft deci-

sion in the *Arizona Capitol Times*. Those that previously commented on the project have the opportunity to submit an objection based on their previous comment. A decision will not be made until the objection process is complete.

The Draft Record of Decision and Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Tonto National Forest Travel Management Project are now available online at: <http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/fs-usda-pop.php?project=28967> Hard copies and compact discs with this information are available on request by contacting Anne Thomas, Travel Management Team Lead, at 602-225-5213 or via e-mail at mariannethomas@fs.fed.us.

FUEL

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An estimated 95 percent of boats are filled at retail gas stations, but a 2016 Harris Poll commissioned by the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute found a startling 60 percent of consumers believe any gas sold at retail stations is suitable for all engines and products. Further, only 36 percent know E15 is harmful to some engines — with just 5 percent aware that its use in those engines is also illegal.

The federal ethanol mandates, known as the RFS, require increasing amounts of biofuels — including corn ethanol — to be blended into the US fuel supply every year. This growing mandate forces higher quantities of fuels such as E15 into the marketplace, often at the expense of E0 ethanol-free fuel, and even though fuels with more than 10 percent ethanol are illegal to use in marine engines, mo-

torcycles, outdoor power equipment and cars model year 2000 and older.

Though the government is aware that the RFS is changing the makeup of the fuel supply, it has undertaken no serious education campaign—beyond requiring small warning labels on fuel pumps—to inform boaters and other consumers about the problems they may face from improper or accidental fueling. The boating industry and others have sought to fill the gap and inform the public about the need to be vigilant when fueling and not assume that just because a gas station sells several fuel types from the same pump that each is suitable for marine engines.

For more information on proper marine fueling, fuel-related maintenance, and boating industry efforts to reform federal ethanol mandates and the supply of E0 fuel, visit BoatUS at BoatUS.com and the National Marine Manufacturers Association at NMMA.org.

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BARTLETT LAKE

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Appetizers

1/2 dozen Buffalo Wing's (\$7)
Boneless Buffalo Wing's (\$10)
Beer Battered Onion Rings (\$8)
Chips and Salsa (\$5.50)
Pork Skins (\$4.50)
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***Poutine: French fries, with cheese curds and gravy (\$8)**

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(Served with your choice of French fries, onion rings, cottage cheese, or kale-crunch slaw)

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The Whiskey Bourbon Burger (on the sweeter side) (\$13) — 1/3 lb. fresh ground beef, bourbon glaze, pineapple ring served on a Hawaiian sweet bun

The Vegan Burger (\$10) — veggie patti rilled with sautéed peppers & diced onions on a bed of lettuce served with a gourmet bun

Chicken

Buffalo Chicken Sandwich (\$12) — crispy chicken breast, with buffalo sauce, lettuce, tomato on a brioche bun

Crispy Chicken Sandwich (\$12) — crispy chicken breast, with lettuce, tomato, mayo on a brioche bun

Chicken Strip Basket (\$12) — crispy chicken strips served with fries

Sandwiches, Other

Philly Cheese Steak (\$11) — steak cooked with onions, mushrooms, bell peppers and provolone cheese on a sub roll with your choice of sides

Pulled Pork (\$8) — pulled pork served on a gourmet bun with your choice of sides

Cat Fish Plate (\$12) — breaded cat fish filet with tartar sauce, and your choice of sides

Salads

Sweet N' Pucker Apple Chicken Salad (\$11) — mixed greens tossed with grilled chicken, tart Granny Smith apple slices,

almond slivers, "Craisins" bits, carrot slivers, drizzled with a refreshing raspberry vinaigrette

Fried Buffalo Chicken Salad (\$10) — mixed greens tossed with buffalo chicken strips and ranch dressing

Strawberry Spinach Salad (\$11) — fresh spinach, strawberries, slivered almonds with a sweet sesame seed dressing

Sides

French Fries (\$3)
Onion Rings (\$4)
Cottage Cheese (\$3)
Kale-Carrot Slaw (\$3)

Drinks

Coffee
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One mistake at the fuel pump this summer could be costly for boaters who misfuel [#RFSbroken](http://goo.gl/5F2Mwv), [#ethanol](http://goo.gl/5F2Mwv)

Suggested Facebook post

As the Memorial Day weekend kicks off the summer boating season, Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) and National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) urge boaters to be mindful when selecting fuel for their boats, especially as the federal government's Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) is increasing the risk of consumer misfueling. Even one mistake at the pump can be the source of expensive, warranty voiding repairs and dangerous engine failure <http://goo.gl/5F2Mwv>

About Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS):

Celebrating 50 years in 2016, BoatUS is the nation's largest organization of recreational boaters with over a half million

BOAT NAMES

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said BoatUS Boat Graphics Manager Greg Edge. "Names like *Freedom* and *Liberty* show boaters' patriotic side, but they also like their boat names to remind themselves to slow down and relax, such as the ever-popular *Island Time*."

For a look at all of the boat names, go to BoatUS.com/boatnames. The BoatUS

SAFETY

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may be better. For most boaters who boat on familiar home waters, a float plan can be as easy as a text message to a friend or relative telling them where you are going, who is aboard, and what time you expect to return. And don't forget to close it out with a text message after you've returned.

TOWBOAT

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BOY SCOUTS

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working boys really glad to help out even though it's a hot day," Stafford said. "I think they understand now how hard it is, how much work it takes, and how many people it takes, to remove deeply entrenched graffiti."

Graffiti Illegal

Graffiti in national parks is any carving or painting on a surface in the park, whether it is man-made or natural, and it is illegal. In Glen Canyon graffiti tends to be carvings on the rocks. The problem is so bad, in some areas whole canyons are covered in graffiti. Park officials are currently surveying Glen Canyon National Recreation Area for graffiti and estimate there are tens of thousands of square feet in the park that have been vandalized by graffiti.

"We appreciate the educational nature of this project and the things we learned about the park," Tom Tipton, troop leader said. "It was wonderful to work with

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STEAMBOAT

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Glen Canyon National Recreation Area recently received a grant to bolster its Graffiti Removal Intervention Team, or G.R.I.T., which will seek to remove more than 16,000 square feet of graffiti in the next three years. The GRIT program is part of a community and partner collaboration to beautify and protect resources at Glen Canyon National Recreation Area during the National Park Service Centennial. For more information about Centennial preparations and events, please visit www.nps.gov/GL-CACentennial. www.nps.gov/glea

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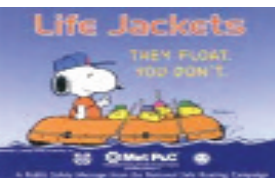


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North Rim via a National Monument.

- That proposed monument, the Grand Canyon Watershed is evidently on the short list of the White House Council on Environmental Quality.

- Should the President establish this monument via the Antiquities Act, 1.7 million acres will be forever changed, including Game Management Units 12A & B, 13A, and portions of 9.

- Many of these same groups have sued the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) on the Mexican wolf recovery plan, and also believe wolves north of 1-40 are a good thing.

- The same players have now sued the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) to eliminate

off road game retrieval in the Kaibab National Forest.

- The Rewilding Institute is advocating the three C's...Cores, Corridors, and Carnivores.

<http://rewilding.org/rewildit/what-is-rewilding/>

- The Humane Society of the United States is posturing to curtail mountain lion hunting in Arizona.

- The Cloud Foundation is advocating for a Burro Preserve of 1 million acres in the Black Mountains near Kingman.

- The head of the Cloud Foundation was recently named to the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board.

- The National Park Service (NPS) is considering a sharpshooting option for

the House Rock bison herd on the North Rim.

- The USFWS is considering access closures on Lake Havasu.

- The BLM is assessing if and where recreational shooting should be allowed for the Sonoran Desert National Monument.

- The NPS and Bureau of Reclamation are considering how to handle and what to do with the Lees Ferry trout.

- Last year the WildEarth Guardians had 5000 people sign on to a letter supporting Congressional funding for "Properly taking care--and even removing--hundreds of thousands of road miles" in our National Forests.

- There is an AZ Senate Committee "studying" the merits of transferring Fed-

eral Public lands, BLM & USFS, to the state.

If you're a sportsman or woman in Arizona, this is a daunting and frankly depressing list of issues. If you were lucky enough to draw an elk or antelope tag this fall, congratulations and enjoy your hunt! If you don't have time to get engaged, get involved, write a letter or make a phone call, know this: Many of the groups listed above are fighting tooth and nail to stop what you love to do. Your freedom to hunt, fish, shoot, ride, explore and watch may only be marginalized now, but our kids and grandkids may not get to enjoy any of it, or at the minimum, a lot less than we did. So, What Will You Do?

**Yours in Conservation,
Jim Unmacht**

FISH REPORT

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are working equally well.

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which they were built.

My brother Bud was my mentor: He taught me how to camp, shoot, hike, fish, and under his guidance, I downed my first elk at nine years old.

My boating experiences with my brother started when I was very young. I guess that is why nothing on the water phases me. In junior high school, I started working with Bud on his commercial fishing boat *Nomad* out of Neah Bay. I have fished the waters of inland Puget Sound through the Straits of Juan de Fuca all the way down the coast to Northern Oregon.

I owe all of these experiences to my brother, and he is why I am the boater that I am today.

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