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amount of miles and buses ran throughout the school year.

Transportation Director Jill Nordick said that district buses traveled 777,604 route miles last school year, which averaged to 4,320 miles a day during a school calendar year of 180 days. By enforcing the 1-mile walker rule, consolidating and eliminating bus routes along with changing some school boundaries, the district saved approximately \$240,000 for the 2008-2009 school year.

In previous years, Thunder Mountain Middle School, Desert Shadows Middle School and Apache Junction High School had already enforced the 1-mile walker rule. By enforcing the rule, children who live within 1-mile of a school would not receive bus services, with the exception of special education.

District spokeswoman Carol Shepherd said Four Peaks Elementary School (FPES), Superstition Mountain Elementary School (SMES) and Gold Canyon Elementary School (GCES) students will be affected the most by the 1-mile walker rule when school begins in August.

Nordick said 370 students at SMES, 35 to 40 students at FPES and 105 students at GCES will be affected by the 1-mile walker rule. Currently the district does not receive state funding for children who live within 1-mile from their school, she explained.

"We are reimbursed for

miles driven only for children who live more than a mile away," Shepherd said. She said the district began running bus routes within a mile of schools many years ago because there were no sidewalks and many times the streets were not paved.

Shepherd said there will be maps provided for parents showing suggestive safe walking routes along less busy streets and which side of the street is safest to walk on. She added that the crossing guards will have AAA training on crosswalk safety along with children learning about walking safety in the classroom.

The district was able to remove six buses from the fleet, which reduced the amount of drivers and their benefits and cost of fuel for this year's M&O budget, Nordick said.

Nordick explained that they also reorganized and consolidated bus stops, so bus drivers would have the ability to sweep an area in 10 minutes instead of 40 minutes, saving on time and on gas due to less frequent stops. "The bus stops that were removed or eliminated, we physically drove to make sure there was enough visibility and safety for the children," Nordick said.

With the transportation changes in effect Nordick said they will be running 52-54 buses for the upcoming year, compared to a little more than 60 last year. She added that

the bus stops are listed on the district's Web site at ajusd.org and times will be added about a week before school starts.

Another area of the budget that will have a direct affect on the community is the pay to play extra curricular activities for high school and middle school students. Each student will have to pay \$50 to participate. Shepherd said the \$50 is a one time fee for the entire year and includes the participation in as many extra curricular activities the students want to take part in.

The fee to participate will go directly back into a fund that pays for the expenses associated with that particular activity, explained Director of Finance Cindy Reichert. All extra curricular activities will be eligible to receive tax credit so that parents can write off the cost of participation as part of the tax credit program with the state of Arizona.

The school tax rate is another factor in setting a budget for the upcoming school year. Associate Superintendent Dr. Jim Lockwood said the tax rate associated with school may very well drop because of the M&O override not passing last November. He added that the exact amount will not be determined until the official rate is set in August.

The district will be faced with cutting another \$1 million from the M&O budget for the 2009-1010 school year, which most likely will be through cutting staff positions, Shepherd said.

A budget hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 8, 2008, at 7 p.m. at the governing board room in the district administrative center located at 1575 W. Southern Ave.

Obituaries

Linda Ruth (Smith) Bartlett



Linda Ruth (Smith) Bartlett, 58, of Mesa passed away suddenly on Thursday, June 19, 2008. She had resided in Arizona with her family for the last 21 years. Linda was born in Torrington, WY on Dec. 9, 1949, to F. Keith and Ruth Smith. Linda graduated from Laramie High School in WY in 1968. She attended and graduated from the University of Wyoming with a bachelor of science degree in zoology in 1972. She continued her higher education at Oregon State University where she earned a master's of science in oceanography with honors in 1974. Linda worked for the American Petroleum Institute in Washington, D.C., and Chevron Oil Research Company in La Habra, Calif. On May 26, 1979, she married U.S. Army Warrant Officer 1, James P. Bartlett. After marriage, Linda continued to take classes to earn credits toward a teacher certificate in secondary education science and secondary education math. They moved to Tucson in 1987. Linda started teaching high school math in 1993. They moved to Mesa in 1998. In 1999 she was hired to teach math at Dobson High School

and in 2000 moved to Skyline High School. Linda is survived by her husband James P. Bartlett of Mesa; sons Michael (Marion) of Buckeye and Evan (Jennifer) of Fort Rucker, AL; parents F. Keith and Ruth Smith of Mesa; sister Carol (John) Figurelli of Libertyville, IL; brother-in-law William Bartlett of Hillsboro, OR; nephew Eric (Melanie) and grand-niece Sophie of Libertyville, IL; nephew Jason (Sung) and grand-niece Nina Figurelli of Chicago, IL. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008. Friends and family from various states and cities attended the service. Linda was cremated and her ashes will be spread over the Superstition Mountains. A memorial scholarship fund has been established at Skyline High School in her name. For

more information go to <http://web.mac.com/jbartlett11>. Arrangements were entrusted to Apache Junction Mortuary.

Ellen Louise Pratt

Ellen Louise Pratt, 69, of Apache Junction passed away on Tuesday, July 1, 2008. Mrs. Pratt, a cook, was born in Trempealeau, WI. She is survived by her sons Richard (Sue) Pratt and John Pratt; sisters Margaret Wing, Catherine Knopf, Vivian Simerson and Teresa Simerson; brother Charles Cowan; two grandchildren. Arrangements were entrusted to Apache Junction Mortuary.

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Public Notice

The Apache Junction Fire District hereby calls for an election for fire district governing board members at the next General Election on November 4, 2008. The Pinal County Elections Department will be conducting the election. Nominating petitions are to be filed with the Pinal County Elections Department at 383 N. Main St., Florence, AZ by August 6, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. The last day to register to vote for this election is October 6, 2008 by midnight.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PINAL COUNTY AIR QUALITY CONTROL DISTRICT

The District hereby gives notice that it proposes to approve the following permit(s) or permit revision(s). Each list includes the following, in order: the proposed permit number, company name, company address, facility location, facility type and the air contaminants to be emitted or potentially emitted. (Volatile Organic Compounds will be abbreviated as V.O.C.; Hazardous Air Pollutants are abbreviated as the HAPS; Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Xylene are abbreviated as BTEX):

Permit No. S13134.000
Desert Hills Enterprises, Inc.
2227 S. Coconino Dr.
Apache Junction, AZ 85220
Desert Hills Enterprises
2227 S. Coconino Dr.
Apache Junction, AZ
Facility Type - Wood Cabinets Manufacturer
Emissions - V.O.C., HAPS (Xylene, Ethyl Benzene, Toluene)

Permit No. S12430.000
Gantzel Farms Country Store, LLC
25 W. Ocotillo Rd.
Queen Creek, AZ 85240
Gantzel Farms Country Store
25 W. Ocotillo Rd.
Queen Creek, AZ
Facility Type - Gas Station
Emissions - V.O.C., and HAPS (BTEX)

Under A.R.S. § 49-480, any person who may be adversely affected by the permit may file a written objection to the issuance of the permit and may request (in writing) a public hearing. Objections, comments or a request for a hearing are due during the public comment period, which ends upon the latter of thirty (30) days from the first publication of this notice, or close of business on the date of any hearing that may be held. Send objections/comments/requests to Pinal County Air Quality Control District, P.O. Box 987, Florence, AZ 85232 or deliver to 31 N. Pinal Street, Building F, Development Services, Florence, Arizona. The telephone number is (520) 866-6929.

Any objection shall state the name and mailing address of the objector, be signed by the objector, their agent or attorney, and clearly set forth the reasons why the permit should not be issued. Grounds for objections are limited to whether the proposed permit meets the criteria for issuance prescribed in A.R.S. § 49-480 or in § 49-481. The permit package, all comments and objections will be available for public inspection and/or copying at the above address Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. excluding Holidays.

PINAL COUNTY
AIR QUALITY CONTROL DISTRICT
DONALD P. GABRIELSON, DIRECTOR

Dates Published: July 7, 14, 2008

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ORAL PROCEEDING AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING REVISIONS TO THE PINAL COUNTY AIR QUALITY RULES

The Pinal County Air Quality Control District proposes that the Board of Supervisors adopt new rules in response to recent legislative mandates. In the portion of Pinal County lying within the Phoenix Planning Area PM10 nonattainment area, namely Township 1 North, Range 8 East, those mandates dictate: imposing a dust-proof surfacing requirement at commercial and certain other properties; requiring stabilization of parking and driveway areas over 3,000 square feet at residential properties; and adoption of rules to allow the county to first order stabilization of disturbed surfaces at certain lots and if the owner does not act, to enter the property, stabilize the surface, and recover the cost from the owner. In the portion of northern Pinal county falling within Area A, which generally lies north of Arizona Farms Road, those mandates also require that the county restrict vehicle parking and use on vacant lots.

The purpose of this notice is to alert all persons who may be affected by the aforementioned statutory mandates that their interests may be affected; that the subject matter of this rulemaking involves fully and fairly satisfying those statutory mandates; and that the final rules as approved by the Board of Supervisors may include whatever additional revisions may be required to fully and fairly respond to those statutory mandates.

Copies of the proposed revisions are available in the July 4, 2008 edition of the Arizona Administrative Register, which is available on-line at www.azsos.gov. Copies are also available from Pinal County Air Quality, as indicated below.

The Register publication will open a public comment period, which will close with an Oral Proceeding as described below. Written, electronic or verbal comments may be directed to Pinal County Air Quality, as indicated below.

On August 7, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., Pinal County Air Quality will hold the Oral Proceeding as required by statute, for the purpose of explaining the proposals and accepting public comment. The Oral Proceeding will be held in the Emergency Operations Center Hearing Room, Administration Building F, 31 North Pinal St., Florence, AZ.

On September 10, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., the Pinal County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed rule revisions. That hearing will be held in conjunction with continued hearings on two earlier, related rule revision proposals, respectively described in the Arizona Administrative Register at 145 A.A.R. 1153 (4/11/2008) and 14 A.A.R. 1991 (5/16/2008). The Board may choose to act on all, part or none of the proposals.

Those wishing further information regarding any aspect of this notice or the proposal may contact Scott DiBiase, Planning Manager at Pinal County Air Quality, 31 North Pinal St., P.O. Box 987, Florence, AZ 85232; or at 520-866-6929; or at Scott.Dibiase@co.pinal.az.us.

Date Published: June 30, July 7, 2008

Police Record

The Apache Junction Police Department Chief of Police Jerald Monahan

June 24 - July 1, 2008

Arrests

June 24 - James Jones, 25, of the 400 block of North Ironwood Drive, was arrested for disorderly conduct/domestic violence.

June 25 - Gaye Price, 38, of the 400 block of Kofa Pass, Globe, was arrested for forgery and identity theft.

June 28 - Alanna Jackson, 18, of the 900 South Lawson Drive, was arrested for disorderly conduct/domestic violence and hindering prosecution.

June 28 - Brandon Lee Tucker, 23, of the 700 block of South Pinal Drive, was arrested for misconduct involving weapons.

June 28 - Elisha Stanford, 21, of the 2100 block of North Grand Drive, was arrested for unlawful use of transportation and false reporting.

June 29 - Steve Reeves, 57, of the 100 block of North Delaware Drive, was arrested for disorderly conduct and trespassing.

June 30 - Christopher Baughman, 23, of the 400 block of East Linda Avenue, was arrested for assault and disorderly conduct/domestic violence.

June 30 - Jaime Lopez, 43, of the 100 block of South Ironwood Drive, was cited and released for temp license plate cancelled, driving while license suspended and no insurance.

June 30 - Jeffery Phillips, 45, of the 300 block South 97th Place, Mesa, was arrested for driving while license suspended.

July 1 - Scott Stevens, 20, of the 1500 block East 28th Avenue, was arrested for child molestation.

July 1 - Jessica Anderson, 24, of the 1900 block of West Shiprock Street, was cited and released for shoplifting.

Incidents

June 24 - Reported theft of means of transportation in the 3100 block of West Superstition Blvd. Stolen was a 1996 Dodge Neon, AZ license #529zpt.

June 25 - Reported a residential burglary, criminal trespass, criminal damage and threats and intimidation in the 1400 block of East Southern Avenue. Damage was done to vehicle and window in residence was broken.

June 25 - Reported theft of means of transportation in the 1400 block of East Southern Avenue. Stolen was a 2000 Honda motorcycle.

June 26 - Reported theft of means of transportation in the 2900 block of West Superstition Blvd. Stolen was a 2007 Dodge van, AZ license #vey414.

June 27 - Reported criminal damage to a motor vehicle in the 1400 block of West 15th Avenue. Damaged was the rear window of a 2001 VW Bug.

June 29 - Reported criminal damage to a motor vehicle in the 2500 block of West Apache Trail. Spray painted letters on door and over the registration tags.

June 29 - Reported criminal damage in the 900 block of South Cedar Drive. Damage was to block splice for cable TV.

June 30 - Reported a burglary to storage shed in the 1600 block of West Superstition Blvd. Stolen was KLH floor speakers and Craftsman tools.

July 1 - Reported criminal damage in the 1400 block of South Cactus Road. Damage was a block wall spray painted with yellow and blue paint. Stop sign was also spray painted.

July 1 - Reported residential burglary in the 2900 block of West Superstition Boulevard. Stolen out of the residence were several pieces of furniture.

Sheriff's Record

The Pinal County Sheriff's Department Sheriff Chris Vasquez, Pinal County Sheriff

Arrests

June 26 - Barbara Ruth Fisher, 40, of AJ, was arrested for interfering with judicial proceedings, probation violation.

June 28 - Lisa Maureen Kaiser, 50, of Gold Canyon, was arrested for criminal damage, disorderly conduct.

City Court

Apache Junction City Magistrate Court 300 E. Superstition Blvd.

Judge David Alexander, Presiding

July 1 - Bryant Askew, 54, of AJ, guilty of disorderly conduct. Sentenced to 12 months unsupervised probation, \$393 fine, can be released from probation in one month if all terms are met.

July 1 - Timothy Bakker, 33, of Mesa, guilty of assault. Sentenced to 36 months unsupervised probation, complete alcohol/substance screening, counseling, \$2,315 restitution, \$500 fine.

July 1 - Jase Barber, 22, of AJ, guilty of driving suspended. Sentenced to 36 months unsupervised probation, \$577 fine.

July 1 - Bryan Blair, 34, of AJ, guilty of shoplifting. Sentenced to 12 months unsupervised probation, 30 days jail suspended, complete LifeSkills program, \$500 fine.

July 1 - Timothy Canning, 21, of AJ, guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sentenced to 36 months unsupervised probation, 30 days jail, \$1150 jail fee, \$500 fine.

July 1 - Anthony Dutra, 23, of AJ, guilty of criminal damage. Sentenced to 24 months unsupervised probation, \$1,670 restitution, \$200 fine, can be released from probation in 12 months if all terms are met.

July 1 - Laura Grimes, 42, of AJ, guilty of criminal trespass. Sentenced to 6 months unsupervised probation, \$115 fine, can be released from probation in 3 months if all terms are met.

July 1 - Floyd Holcomb, 47, of Mesa, guilty of returning to park after ejection. Sentenced to 12 months unsupervised probation, \$250 fine.

July 1 - Edward Kendrix, 34, of Queen Creek, guilty of driving suspended. Sentenced to 12 months unsupervised probation, \$750 fine.

July 1 - Ricardo Chavez Ochoa, of Queen Creek, guilty of driving suspended. Sentenced to 12 months unsupervised probation, \$301 fine.

July 2 - Ryan Torkelson, 24, of AJ, guilty of driving suspended. Sentenced to 6 months unsupervised probation, \$350 fine.

July 2 - Roger Palmer, 59, of AJ, guilty of DUI w/BAC over .20. Sentenced to 36 months unsupervised probation, 30 hours community service, 45 days jail, 1 MADD impact panel, complete alcohol screening, counseling, \$2,169 jail fee, \$195.58 restitution, \$125 attorney fee, \$3,195 fine.

July 2 - Wade Carroll, 26, of AJ, guilty of driving suspended. Sentenced to 12 months unsupervised probation, \$500 fine.



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