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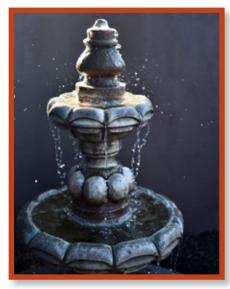
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# Principal's Corner



I would like to begin by congratulating all of the Grayhawk high school seniors who are graduating this year – Job well done!

I'm sure a couple months ago most of you were looking forward to the last days of your high school experience and graduation celebrations. For those of you attending Pinnacle High School, you may have been looking forward to finishing off a great girls basketball season with a 6A Arizona state basketball championship or possibly another boys basketball state championship. For those of you attending Notre Dame Prep, you may have been excited to see if the boys lacrosse team would win a fourth straight state championship. Obviously, the COVID-19 pandemic changed all that and your plans

for the last weeks of high school. No cap and gown. No high fives from your friends and hugs from your parents after receiving your diploma. No graduation parties to celebrate the completion of your high school days with your classmates.

The unfortunate reality is you have been denied the opportunity to cap off your high school years like your siblings or parents were able to do. You have worked hard during the past four years and truly deserve to celebrate this achievement. A large number of you will continue your academic studies while attending colleges and universities throughout the country. I know quite a few of you have received athletic or academic scholarships which you should be extremely proud of and I know your parents are very proud of too.

Many of you have lived in the Grayhawk community your entire life and began your schooling by attending Grayhawk Elementary School which gave you a great foundation for learning and helped you to develop your desire to excel throughout your middle school and high school years. That is obvious to me after meeting so many of Grayhawk's young residents over the past 14+ years that I have had the privilege of serving as the Grayhawk Community Principal.

As you move on to this next chapter of your life, I strongly encourage you to chase your dreams and to pursue your passion. Determine what it is that makes you excited to get up in the morning and find a way to make that happen. You have not only made your parents and your family proud of you, you have made the entire Grayhawk happen. You have not only made your parents and your family proud of you, you have made the entire Grayhawk community proud. Please know that you will always have the community's support in your future endeavors – We Are Proud Of You!

Finally, always remember this message from motivational speaker Les Brown - "It is better to aim high and miss than to aim low and hit." Aim High and Always Do Your Best.

YOU CAN DO GREAT THINGS!

We'll talk again soon.

Michael Fee Grayhawk Community Principal

#### **GRAYHAWK ADVERTISING**

The Grayhawk Community Association (GCA) offers advertising as a service to our community and does not support or endorse the products, persons or services advertised in the Flight. GCA shall not be held liable or responsible for any misleading or incorrect advertising.

### **Community Meetings**

#### **BOARD MEETINGS - MAY 2020**

Board meetings are open to residents and we encourage you to attend. Your involvement does make a difference!

#### **Grayhawk Board of Directors**

Call the GCA Office at 480-563-9708 for more information.

Grayhawk\_board@grayhawkcommunity.org

#### Grayhawk Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

The Board of Directors will be meeting in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 33-1804 (A)(3) at 5:00 p.m. in the GCA office.

#### **Retreat Village Board of Directors**

Call the GCA Office at 480-563-9708 for more information.

Retreat\_board@grayhawkcommunity.org

# Retreat Village Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

The Board of Directors will be meeting in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 33-1804 (A)(3) at 5:00 p.m. in the GCA office.

#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

#### **Communications Committee**

Call Jennifer Sheets at 480-563-9708 for more information.

#### **Event Planning Committee**

Call Sarah Van Duyne at 480-563-9708 for more information.

#### Landscape Committee

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708 for more information

#### **Operational Review Committee**

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708 for more information.

#### **Architectural Review Committee**

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#### OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

# Avian Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Associated Property Management 480-941-1077 for details.

# Cachet at Grayhawk Condominium Association Meeting

Call FirstService Residential at 480-551-4300 for details.

#### **Crown Point Board Meeting**

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708 for details.

# Edge Condominium Association Board Meeting

Visit www.theedgegrayhawk.com or call 480-584-4647 for details.

# Encore Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Amcor Property Professionals at 480-948-5860 for details.

# Tesoro Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Kinney Management at 480-820-3451 for details.

# Venu Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Vision Community Management at 480-759-8683

#### Village at Grayhawk Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call FirstService Residential at 480-551-4300 for details.

# Vintage Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Associated Property Management at 480-941-1077 for details.

#### Grayhawk Community Association Board Members

David Van Omen President

> Paul Alessio Vice President

Richard Zielinski Secretary

Jeanette Griswold Treasurer

> Lou Ender Director

Derek Moore Director

Bob Mann Director

#### Retreat Village Association Board Members

Arlene Smith President

Ira Mallin Vice President

Alan Fernandez Secretary

> Barb Nelson Treasurer

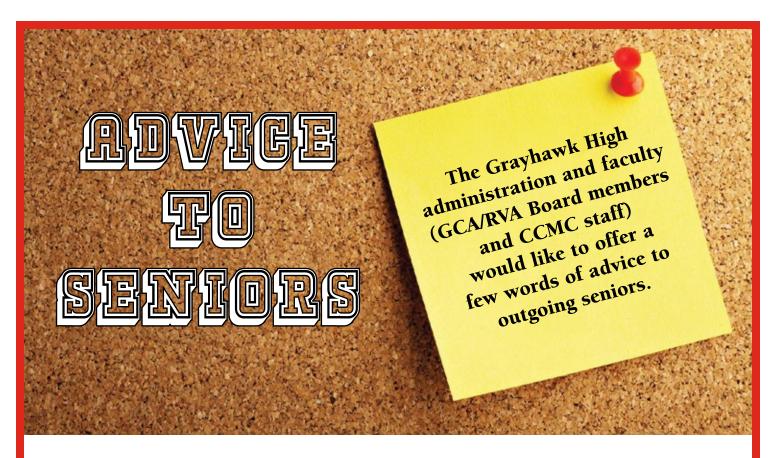
Michael Loya Director

#### VISION

Grayhawk: a Sonoran Desert home to vibrant southwestern living with an uncommon commitment to community.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Grayhawk Community Association strives to enhance quality of life and community strength through inclusion, participation and pragmatic stewardship of human, financial and environmental assets.



Arelene Smith, RVA President: Never let anyone tell you, "you can't!"

Ira Mallin, RVA Vice President: Wash your hands from your thumb to your pinky and back and then do the other hand.

**Richard Zielinski:** It is a different world and a challenging time, but nothing can take away from all of your accomplishments. It is disappointing not to be able to enjoy your Senior Prom or your graduation ceremony. However, You have a great deal of potential, a great deal to look forward to and we wish you the very best the world has to offer. We look forward to your endeavor to make our community and this world a better place. And in the words of Dr. Seuss, "Oh the Places You'll Go!"

**David Van Omen, GCA President:** Tomorrow you will be smarter then you are today. Seek knowledge and always be humble and gracious.

Stacey Harvey, Assistant Community Manager: The unfortunate, yet truly exciting thing about your life, is that there is no core curriculum. The entire place is an elective!

Richard Dearo, Maintenance Supervisor: We grow old too soon and too late smart.

Cierra Austin, Administrative Coordinator: Remember when things get tough, it's just for now, not for always.

Sarah Van Duyne, Lifestyle Director: You are never too cool, too old, or too busy to call your parents.

Jennifer Sheets, Director of Communications: You don't have everything figured out right now and that's okay. You won't actually ever have everything figured out.



#### CREATING A HOLISTIC FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE **GRAYHAWK COMMUNITY**

Mike Kelley, a homeowner in the Grayhawk Community, is a Financial Advisor with Northwestern Mutual, A Wealth Management Company.

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as well as annuities, investment products, and investment advisory products & services.

"I'm excited to be living in the Grayhawk Community! I look forward to meeting with you soon and am eager for the opportunity to earn your business" ~ Mike Kelley

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# Hey Grayhawk – Fun Isn't Cancelled!

While we can't gather at this time, we can continue to live the Grayhawk Lifestyle! There are several activities included below that can keep you and your family active during this time of social distancing. Be sure to stay tuned on our social media pages and weekly e-blasts for more fun activities to come over the next month.

#### Virtual 5k Wine Run

Now is a better time than ever to stay active, stay connected with others, support local charities, and of course... enjoy a nice glass of wine! The Wine Run 5k is all about combining two of our favorite things: Running (or walking) and wine! Registration cost is \$10 and a portion will go to Arizona Helping Hands.

#### Your registration includes:

- Wine Glass
- Wine Run/Walk Race Bib
- Finisher Medal
- Results Posted Online
- \$10 Starbucks gift card

#### Here's how you join:

- Register for the Wine Run/Walk 5k on www.grayhawkcommunity.org and we will email you the form.
- Complete a 5K (3.1 miles) run, walk, wine drinking reps, or exercise any time during the month of May while observing proper social distancing of course!
- Send us your results on the online form (your confirmation email will include instructions)
- Post your pics on the Grayhawk Facebook page (optional)
- Celebrate your accomplishment and your love of wine with your commemorative Wine Run 5k glass



#### Letters to the Vi at Grayhawk

May 1- May 31

We are still looking for Pen Pals! Are you at home looking for something to do and would like to give your kids some writing practice? The residents of the Vi at Grayhawk would love to receive pictures, letters, or drawings from you and your kids. Help them feel the love while staying indoors and out of harm's way with words of encouragement and fun drawings. We will be collecting the letters at the GCA office during the month of May. Please drop them in the drop slot on the left side of our door or mail them if you prefer. The GCA office address is 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy., Suite 102, Scottsdale, AZ 85255.

#### Succulent Adventure Kit

Orders taken from May 1-May 7

#### Delivery will take place on Fri., May 8

Good news for the first 50 people who need a little help figuring out what to get Mom for Mother's Day! We are giving away 50 succulent planting kits from Plant Bar AZ. The kit includes the succulent, soil, painting supplies, and a small pot. All you have to do to receive your kit is register online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org and we will be delivering the kits on Fri., May 8 to your doorstep! If you do not get one of the first 50 kits through us, you are also welcome to purchase on your own through http://www.plantbaraz.com.

#### Mother's Day Drive up Dinner kit

Sun., May 10

#### Pick up at GCA Office Raptor Room, 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy., Suite 102

Sorso Wine Room is supplying all you need for a beautiful Mother's Day meal. Pre-order one of their meal/drink kits listed below and make Mother's Day one to remember. Order your kit online at www.sorsowineroom.com to pre order and pay. Go to order online and choose the category called "Grayhawk Mother's Day". After you order, email your receipt to svanduyne@ccmcnet.com. You will be entered to win a \$50 gift card from Sorso and a bottle of wine. You will be able to pick up your kit on Saturday, May 9 from 12:00-2:00 pm. Sorso Wine Room will bring your orders to the Grayhawk office for an easy drive up meal. Stay in your cars and we will bring your order to you! Kits include but are not limited to:

#### **Brunch Kit for \$40**

- Fresh Fruit
- Breakfast Pastries Mix
- Eggs
- Bacon
- Potatoes
- \*Add a Mimosa kit for \$20

#### Lunch/Dinner for \$65

- Hummus platter with veggies
- An Antipasto assortment
- The Dip
- Mac & Cheese
- BYO The Usual Flatbread (sun-dried pesto, mozzarella, tomatoes, basil)
- BYO The Pro Flatbread (olive oil, mozzarella, fontina, prosciutto, pistachios, arugula, and balsamic syrup)

\*Add a bottle of house bubbles for \$22

\*All bottles of wine or packaged beer is 50% off listed price

\*Check website for add-ons that could include: candles from Candle Chemistry, macarons from Le Macaron, and BYO Cupcakes from Paula Jacqueline Bakers.



#### Trivia Hub Live

#### Sat., May 16 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Want to test your knowledge and interact with your neighbors without having to gather in person? Grayhawk families and teams from multiple cities, time zones, and countries can come together for an action-packed, and team-building experience with exciting trivia content. There is no limit to the amount of participants who can join, and we have a huge surprise prize for the winning team! Thanks to our sponsors David Van Omen and Andrew Bloom with Keller Williams AZ Realty, we will be giving away a \$300 Amazon gift card to the winner of our Virtual Trivia night. Register now at www.grayhawkcommunity.org and we will send you a Zoom link to your e-mail to participate.

### In & Around Grayhawk

#### **Virtual Paint and Sip**

Tues., May 19 at 6 p.m.

Grab your paint brushes, canvas and your "sip" of choice and join us on Facebook for our first Virtual Paint and Sip! We will be painting a picture of a beautiful blooming cactus. Register online to participate at www.grayhawkcommunity.org. The video will be posted to Facebook on Tuesday, May 19. The video will also be emailed to you for those not on Facebook. The list of supplies you will need to participate includes:

- Any size canvas
- Basic paint set- Acrylic primary colors
- · Basic brush set
- Jar or Solo cup of water
- Paper towels
- Newspaper
- Paper plate for mixing colors



#### Kurbside Kona

Sat., May 30 at 12 p.m.

Things are heating up here in the Valley and we have a great way to cool you down so check out Kurbside Kona! Just text 602-419-1919 with your location on our event date and time and the Kona Ice truck will come to you. Kona Ice will be in the Grayhawk neighborhood beginning at 12 p.m. on Saturday, May 30. Kona Ice is committed to providing a fun, safe and clean experience to our residents and will be using caution by not having their flavorwave open, and by not refilling cups. Help support local small business and text Kona on Saturday, May 30 to get your icy treats! Spread the word to neighbors on your street to join in on the fun.





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#### "TOP OF THE CLASS"

# Arizona Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs names Carly Mertz 2020 Arizona State Youth of the Year, Dylan Voy 2020 Arizona Military Youth of the Year

Outstanding teens from seven Arizona Boys & Girls Clubs and military base youth programs recently competed for the highest state Club member honors using video conferencing.

Carly Mertz, 17, and Dylan Voy, 18, were awarded Arizona Youth of the Year honors during an online ceremony organized by the Arizona Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs and presented by Fiesta Bowl Charities on Tuesday, March 31.

Carly, a 12-year member of Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Scottsdale's Thunderbirds Branch in Grayhawk, was named the 2020 Arizona State Youth of the Year.

Dylan, a seven-year member of the Luke AFB Youth Program, received the 2020 Arizona State Military Youth of the Year top honors.

Selected from a field of 7 candidates from Boys & Girls Club organizations around the state, Carly and Dylan will receive scholarships and go on to compete at the regional



level in their respective categories. Regional winners move on to Boys & Girls Clubs of America's National Youth of the Year competition.

"It is an absolute honor to represent my Thunderbirds Branch Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Scottsdale, and the State of Arizona," said Carly following the announcement. "It means so much to me to be able to give something back to the Boys & Girls Clubs since they have done so much for me throughout my life. I hope to raise awareness about the serious issues of negative mental health in youth and teens and to make support systems more accessible."

In Carly's three-minute competition speech she cited the national statistic that one in five teenagers struggle with anxiety and feelings of inadequacy and spoke passionately about the Club's programs and mentors that continue to help her find confidence, positive body image, and acceptance.

"We are so very proud of Carly and the impressive young lady she has become," said Robyn Julien, BGCS CEO. "She truly exemplifies the magic of the Clubs and will be an impactful spokesperson for the growing number of teens in all demographics who struggle with anxiety disorders."

Each of the seven teen candidates presented their three-minute speeches to judges and completed the interview process using video conferencing on Monday, March 30, 2020. The winners were announced live online in a virtual ceremony the following day.

"Even though I would have loved to meet the other amazing candidates, Boys & Girls Clubs of America kept everyone safe by making the process virtual," Carly added. "I am so excited to have this opportunity to make Arizona proud."

Carly has been accepted to Arizona State University's Barrett, The Honors College, and will pursue her interests



in community service and corporate responsibility through a major in marketing and hospitality.

All of the candidates previously competed at local levels to represent their individual Boys & Girls Club organizations before moving on to the state competition. Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Youth of the Year Program

is a premier youth development recognition experience celebrating academic success, examples of leadership and overall Club involvement. Teens must write multiple essays, participate in the interview process and deliver a three-minute speech highlighting the impact of their Club experience.

# About the Arizona Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs:



The Arizona Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (www.azabgc.org) is made up of 17 organizations

from across the state, serving more than 114,000 kids and teens each year. The Alliance was formed in 2000 to increase the Club's visibility in communities and to advocate for Arizona's most vulnerable youth. Clubs offer programs and services promoting and enhancing the development of youth by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, belonging, and influence.

# **Activites Around Campus**

























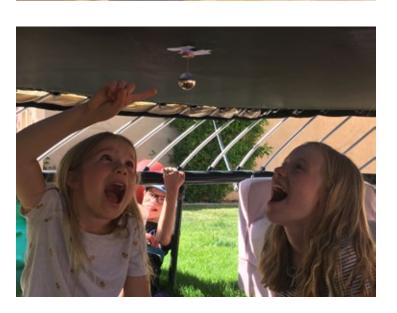
# **Activites Around Campus**







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# Congratulations Class of 2020

# Senior Skip Day. Prom. The Senior Class trip. Graduation.

They are fond memories for most that have moved on from high school. They are rites-of-passage that fill the last few months of high school before leaving friends and moving on in separate directions.

For the Class of 2020, there is just an empty void. Their senior year traditions are either being postponed, altered or canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Zoom calls have replaced the classroom. Social distancing is the new norm.

But the seniors of this community are part of our family, and we want to recognize all of their many accomplishments.

Seniors, your Grayhawk family is so very proud of you. Graduating is certainly a milestone but life is the biggest learning experience of them all. All the best for your bright futures!



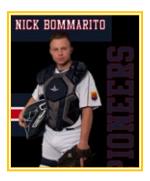
#### **Ben Atkinson**

Ben was born and raised in the Grayhawk community. He attended Grayhawk Elementary School, Explorer Middle School and Pinnacle High School. Ben excelled during his time at Pinnacle High School both academically and athletically. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Varsity Football, Baseball and Track teams. Ben's promising senior year was cut short as he was looking forward to completing the season, going to Prom and graduation. Ben enjoys golfing and juicy drinks from Circle K. He has thoroughly enjoyed spending more time with his family and away from his friends during this quarantine (LOL). Ben will be attending the University of Arizona in the fall.



#### Tosh Baker

Tosh, a Pinnacle High School senior, has been a 4-year letterman in basketball, a 3-year letterman in football, as well as a starter on the two-time 6A Arizona state champion basketball team. He was voted as the captain for both sports by his peers. He was the recipient of the 2019 Randall McDaniel Offensive Lineman of the Year award, selected to the 2020 High School All American Bowl, and the 2020 Polynesian Bowl. He has excelled in the classroom as a member of the National Honor Society, the Mentors Program and earned 6A All Academic honors in Football and Basketball. Tosh will be attending the University of Notre Dame and has been accepted into the Mendoza School of Business. He will be playing football on an athletic scholarship.



#### **Nick Bommarito**

Nick will be graduating from Pinnacle High School in May. While at PHS, Nick was a catcher for the baseball team. Nick's future plans include attending Spring Arbor University in Spring Arbor, Michigan where he looks forward to becoming a catcher for their baseball team. We are proud of Nick and are thankful and excited for his future plans!



#### Sean McCall Crowley

Sean attended El Dorado Private School pre-k through 8th grade and Notre Dame Prep grades 9-12. Sean will be attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Prescott in the fall of 2020, seeking a degree in Aerospace Engineering. While attending NDP, he played basketball, football and volleyball, and was involved in Robotics/FLL and K2 Adventures. His love of travel has taken him to Peru (volunteer work), Italy (Theology Dept.) and Iceland (Science Dept.).

# Class of 2020



#### **Zach Contos**

Zach was born, raised and continues to reside in the Grayhawk community. Zach will attend the University of Arizona in the fall. He is the fourth member of his immediate family to attend U of A, following his mother, father and older brother.



#### **Jack Corben**

Jack was born and raised in Grayhawk. He attended Grayhawk Elementary School, Explorer Middle School and Pinnacle High School. Jack is a member of the National Honor Society, a DECA officer and Arizona State DECA Champion, a lacrosse player, officer on the Speech and Debate Team, and a volunteer for Boys Team Charity with more than 100 community service hours. Our budding entrepreneur has already launched two different business endeavors and will be attending the University of Texas, McCombs School of Business on a scholarship in the fall. This future Texas Longhorn will major in Business and Entrepreneurship and also plans to join a fraternity. While his mom, dad and brother Alex will greatly miss him, we look forward to visiting him in Austin, Texas, and attending football games as well as other festivities throughout the school year. Hook 'em Horns!!



#### Paige Dompier

Paige is a graduating senior at Pinnacle High School. Next year she will be attending Colorado School of Mines where she is on scholarship to play softball and will major in Mechanical Engineering. Some of Paige's high school activities include National Honor Society, Student Government, Society of Woman's Scholars and PHS Varsity Softball team. Paige was named the Leukemia & Lymphomas 2018 Student of the Year and continues to be a mentor for the LLS Student of the Year campaign. When she is not involved in high school activities she plays club softball for Firecrackers Arizona 18u. Paige hopes she is able to finish out her last club season traveling with her teammates this summer.



#### **Alyssa Hawkins**

Alyssa grew up in Grayhawk and attended Grayhawk Elementary, Explorer Middle School, and Pinnacle High School. She wants to get a degree in the medical field and will start at Paradise Valley Community College in the fall and then transfer to ASU. She loves parkour, volleyball, animals, and is fun to be around. Congrats Alyssa Renee, we love you and wish you the best in your endeavors! Love Dad, Mom, and Sean.



#### **Katie Hill**

Katie, a Pinnacle High School senior, will be attending Marquette University for the Direct Entry Doctorate of Physical Therapy program. We are so proud of Katie for pushing herself academically and getting involved in different organizations and clubs during high school. She has played club soccer since 2nd grade and played for Pinnacle's soccer team for a few years, as well as lacrosse and track & field. She loves hanging with her friends, traveling and her puppies. We are excited for Katie's next chapter in her life!

#### **Dylan Hoffman**

Dylan is graduating with an IB diploma from Rancho Solano Prep School. He plans to attend Embry-Riddle in Prescott, AZ majoring in Simulation Science, Games and Animation.



#### **Cade Horton**

Cade is a Pinnacle High School Senior, Class of 2020! Cade played football for Pinnacle all four years and also ran track. Cade is a great student, earning himself a scholarship to attend St. Anselm College in New Hampshire in the fall. He will be continuing his football career there as a wide receiver. Although his family will miss him terribly, we are very excited to visit and watch him play and also for the amazing education he will be getting (class sizes will be smaller than elementary schools). Cade is very excited for a change in scenery and weather and is up for the adventure it will bring. He plans to major in Business and Marketing.



#### **Hope Hutchison**

Hope grew up in Minneapolis, Minnesota. We moved back to Scottsdale a little over a year ago and are so happy to be home! Hope has had a fantastic senior year at Pinnacle High School, excelling in the classroom while playing both Varsity Basketball and Lacrosse. She has made great friends and many lasting memories. Hope is excited to follow her dream of earning her Nursing degree at Arizona State University. We are extremely proud of Hope's many accomplishments.

Congratulations Hope!

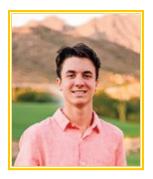
# Class of 2020



#### Isabelle Jacobs

Having started as a kindergartener at Grayhawk Elementary, Isabelle has matured into an honor student and a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish Honor Society, and the Society of Women Scholars. She has competed with the Pinnacle Swim and Dive team for all four years. In her spare time, Isabelle is a ZooTeen volunteer with the Phoenix Zoo, a Junior Volunteer at Butterfly Wonderland, and a student volunteer at the Hasbrouck Insect Collection at Arizona State University. Isabelle is proud that she is a Girl Scout in her twelfth year and is currently a Girl Scout Ambassador with Troop 1991. She received the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest distinction bestowed by Girls Scouts of the USA, for turning

a dirt plot at the Granite Reef Senior Center in Scottsdale into an amazing butterfly garden and inspiring the local seniors to participate in a Garden Club. Mayor Jim Lane, who spoke at the grand opening of the butterfly garden, was inspired and subsequently initiated the construction of more butterfly gardens around the city of Scottsdale to help local pollinators - butterflies, birds and insects - find pesticide-free environments to reproduce. If you know Isabelle, you know that she has a passion for bugs, which has inspired her to continue her education starting in the fall at the University of Arizona, majoring in Conservation Biology with an emphasis in Insect Biology. She is the recipient of the University of Arizona Wildcat Distinction Award, the Butterfly Wonderland Foundation Scholarship, the Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship, and the Pinnacle HS Swim and Dive Scholarship. We wish her the best in her journeys ahead and hope that her reach far exceeds her grasp. We love you and are very proud of you. Daddy, Mami, and Katherine.



#### Jackson Lehman

Jackson will be graduating from Notre Dame Preparatory High School in Scottsdale. While in high school Jackson played both varsity golf and basketball. Luckily, he was able to finish his senior year basketball season before Covid-19. He is sad to be missing prom and graduation. In the fall, Jackson will be attending Arizona State University and pursuing a degree in Business/Marketing. We are proud of him and excited for what the future holds. Congrats Jackson!



#### **Jackson Logsdon**

Jackson was fascinated by wheels since he was a toddler. When he started kindergarten at Grayhawk Elementary School, he was already driving, racing go karts (and winning!) against the future stars of NASCAR and Indy Car. When he traded his kart for a skateboard in middle school, he never gave up his love of cars. He was that kid who could identify a make and model three car lengths ahead, and an engine just by its sound. It's no surprise that upon graduation from Pinnacle High School, Jackson will start work on an associate's degree at Universal Technical Institute in the West Valley — and will finally get to do his favorite thing — be around cars all day long.



#### Ben McMillan

Ben is graduating Pinnacle High School and will be headed to Arizona State University in the fall to study Photography. Ben loves to skateboard and play the guitar with his fellow band members. Ben is a kind and thoughtful young man and we are proud of him. Go Sun Devils!! Love, Mom, Dad and Ian



#### **Lauren Neill**

Lauren is graduating from Pinnacle High School and will be attending the University of Arizona Honors College in the fall studying business. She was a member of the varsity pom line for three years and was co-captain her senior year. Lauren is a student mentor along with participating in several clubs and activities throughout her high school years.



#### **Harrison Nichols**

Harrison is a graduating senior at Pinnacle High School, were he played both football and lacrosse. Harrison has a great attitude towards people and has succeeded on and off the field - we're proud of him. This fall, Harrison will attend Northern Arizona University as a Business Major. We are excited to see what the next chapter holds for him and we know he will always make us proud. Good luck Harrison at NAU, enjoy all the next steps in your life. We love you. - Mom, Dad, Ellie and Hudson



#### Katie Ogorek

We are proud parents of a future Sun Devil! Katie is heading to The Fashion Institute of Art and Design at Arizona State University. She will take awesome memories from Pinnacle High School. Katie misses her friends, classmates and doing the morning announcements for the school day. Katie is Beautiful and Extroverted! She is motivating with great humor! As parents, we know Katie will succeed because of her strong passion and love of life. Katie has the future to look forward to! Congratulations to the seniors of 2020! Go Devils! Love Dad, Mom and Taylor.

# Class of 2020



#### **Dominic Persi**

Dominic is graduating from Pinnacle High School. He had the privilege to play football all four years of high school where he developed lifelong friendships and values. Dominic will be attending the University of Arizona in the fall where he will pursue a degree in Business. He strived on the excitement of business and making money at the young age of 13 when he started his own online business. He also started working at The Thumb at age 15 where he continues to work to save up for college. We are so proud of Dominic and his fun-natured look on life. Congrats Dom!



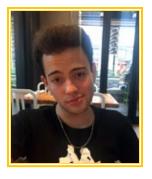
#### Kailie Plotnik

Kailie is a senior at Pinnacle High School. She will be attending The Ohio State University in the fall, majoring in Pre-Veterinary Studies as an OSU Biological Sciences Scholar. At Pinnacle, she is a member of National Honor Society, Society of Women Scholars, Pinnacle Mentors, Jewish Student Union and Future PhDs Medical Club. Kailie is a competitive horseback rider, competing as the captain of the Interscholastic Equestrian Association's Scottsdale Team II and in individual Hunter/Jumper competitions. Kailie has been a resident of Grayhawk since she was three years old, attending Grayhawk Elementary School and Explorer Middle School prior to high school. We are so proud of Kailie and her many accomplishments and are excited to share in her future successes.



#### **Ryan Scanlon**

Ryan, born and raised in North Scottsdale, is graduating from Chaparral High School and will be attending Arizona State University to study Sports Management. Ryan's family is extremely proud of his many accomplishments and the young man he has become. The youngest of three children, Ryan is excited to follow in the footsteps of his older siblings and begin the next chapter in life. Go Devils!



#### **Lou Solomon**

Lou is a born and raised Grayhawk native since 2001. He is proudly graduating from Pinnacle High School, Class of 2020, with a 3.98 GPA - and is a member of the National Honors Society. Lou's interests include music, fitness, basketball, technology, and hanging with friends. He's also in his 3rd year as one of the top salesmen at Best Buy in their computer department. In the fall of 2020, Lou will be attending Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff and aspires to enter Criminal Law or Sociology. Lou's Family, Dani, Danny, Quin, and dogs Chico & Panda are all SO proud of Lou!! GO LOU!!!



#### **Haillie Vogel**

Haillie is graduating from Pinnacle High School and will be attending the University of Arizona and majoring in business with a minor in Spanish.



#### Rachelle Whitehurst

Rachelle will be graduating from Pinnacle High School and going to Paradise Valley Community College in the fall. Because of her academic success, she will be getting a full ride for the first two years of college with the President's Scholarship. After getting her associates degree in business she will move on to the U of A. She was involved in Young Life in high school and is going to be a leader for middle schoolers next semester.





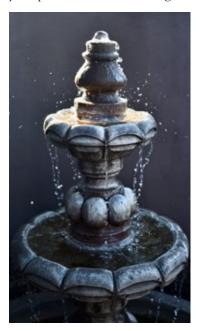
# Our Desert, Our Home

By Victoria Kauzlarich, Volare

#### Dear Class of 2020

While this column may be new to you, it's been appearing in the Grayhawk Flight since you were in 8th grade! Yeah, I know. I've long thought that my target audience is your parents. But, this one is for you.

The COVID-19 epidemic has dealt a lethal blow to your last few months of high school. You meant to party. To have fun with your friends and graduate, all the while capturing every moment on your phones and then sharing them with the world.



And then came the "Great Pause"; a forced time out.

Every generation has a defining event. Some are more impactful than others and all of them catch us off guard, particularly when it comes to actual boots-on-theground impact.

We were having pleasant little lives, and then THIS happened.

Without getting your last hurrah, you're being catapulted into adulthood and forced to think about adultlike things. Not fun, I know, but essential nonetheless.

Let's take the next few minutes (you've got them, don't you?) and peer into

your future, particularly if you plan to spend it in the American west. It's just a single, small word. Water.

The west and our future in it will be defined by the availability and use of water. We're already seeing this play out here and elsewhere in Arizona with new housing developments and their tenuous supply of water.

The good news is that there are a lot of people paying attention to water availability and working hard to create a better water future, especially in our home state.

One of these organizations is the small, but extremely innovative, Watershed Management Group (WMG) based in



Tucson. They've just published their 50 year vision for restoring river flow in and around Tucson. You can find it at watershedmg. org.

You don't achieve a vision without a plan and WMG already knows theirs is achievable. They've established goals and a decade-by-decade set of outcomes, all designed to restore flowing regional rivers.

Their plan goes so far into the future, you're likely to have grandkids by the time they're working on their next set of objectives!

The future can be a scary place, especially with so many unknowns. But, that's the thing about the future. Even in the face of the unknowable, planning and a vision aren't just possible. They're essential. Just like you.

Want to learn more? Here are some additional websites to get you started.

For background, see how Phoenix is preparing for a future without Colorado River water (https://bit.ly/3abWeeT).

For the top water issues facing the state in 2020, see What's on Tap for Arizona Water in 2020 (https://bit.ly/34HgtzY).

To bring you closer to home and identify things you can do to help, see the Arizona Department of Water Resources' Arizona Water Facts (https://bit.ly/2VdrOET), then click on "Tips & Resources".









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### Sip and Tell

By Sue Lukenbill, Encore Resident

Welcome to the month of May. I hope that this finds all of you staying safe and staying healthy. May seems to be a month full of some of my favorite

celebrations that include Cinco de Mayo,

Mother's Day, the Kentucky Derby, and Memorial Day. May is also a popular month for weddings. My lunch buddy and Grayhawk Community Association Director of Communications Jennifer Sheets will be celebrating her 14th anniversary with her husband Brian this month.

This month's article will be a little different than planned due to the COVID-19 pandemic. I had a neighbor who was at the mailbox when I was there getting my mail ask me if I was going to write this month's article on *home cooking* since restaurants were closed except for takeout. We laughed and I said that there would be a review on a takeout place and not to worry. I actually got creative regarding my article and what I would write about. I realized that many of us have a sweet tooth and enjoy desserts. And Bingo...a light went on. I remembered that there was the perfect place in the Grayhawk Plaza that does only takeout for those of us who crave sweets. It is called Butta Cakes and has only been open for about two months.

**Butta Cakes** came about because of a bet. A dear friend of the owner, Perry Hilton, challenged him to make a cake as good as the local steak house Mastro's. So Perry collected the best possible ingredients for an all-natural butter cake and began the process of perfecting his recipe. And guess what? He won the bet and **Butta Cakes** was born.

The cakes are delicious and decadent bite-sized cakes that are full of rich flavors with the perfect consistency. All Butta Cakes contain dairy and gluten, but they can provide gluten free cakes on request.

Since Jennifer and I couldn't physically go into **Butta Cakes** and sit down and order multiple flavors to sample, we went separately. I ordered over a dozen for my family for Easter. Of course my husband, Bill, had to sample several flavors before



Easter. He loves the Butta Cakes. The place has about 22 flavors. Of the variety I ordered, the *Banana Pudding* and *Red Velvet* were among the favorites along with the *Lemon* and the *Original*.

The GCA office staff got a variety as well. The Carrot Cake was popular with that group, as well as The Don (German chocolate). A few residents have also shared their feedback. Fred and Marian Bucci are Canadians that spend the winter in Grayhawk. They are big fans and have taken many guests to sample the tasty cakes. They love the Carrot Cake, and the fact that Butta Cakes delivers to Canada!

If you haven't stopped by to try these **Butta Cakes**, I would suggest that you do it soon. They are great for weddings, birthdays, events, gifts and more. You can order by the dozen, the six-pack, the four-pack or you can order their dozen sampler.

Just remember, stay calm and eat chocolate.

Happy Mother's Day

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### Still Sweet and Salty

By Lori Bosch and daughter, Stephanie, Cachet at Grayhawk

Since this Grayhawk issue is all about the Class of 2020, I was trying to think of the one recipe every graduate should know how to make before heading off on their own. My first thought was... beans & rice-the perfect meal! It's filling, healthy and a meal all by itself or it can be served as a side. It is economical, easy to make and it lasts about a week in the fridge. Beans and rice have been a staple

pairing for thousands of years in every corner of the world. It has been suggested by economists that people would not need to go to bed hungry if they just made a big pot of rice and beans every week.

I recently made beans and rice to serve as a side with grilled chicken. I used a bag of dried black beans which took a little longer to rinse, soak and cook. For a college student, the canned beans are a logical time saver. The recipe below is full of flavor and rivals any beans and rice you have ever ordered at an authentic Mexican restaurant. In a pinch, a college student could easily substitute ½ packet taco seasoning in place of the onion, garlic, broth, cumin, Tabasco, and lime juice. **Enjoy and congrats to the Class of 2020!** 

2020 graduates...always, always, always learn a few easy, healthy recipes from your family before you move out or go away to college. Over the years, it will save you money, remind you of home and help you make new friends.

We welcome your feedback, suggestions and recipe requests! Please feel free to email us at boschl@me.com.



#### Beans & Rice 101

Prep time: 5 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

Servings: 3-4

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 cup uncooked white rice
- 2 cups vegetable broth
- 1 ½ teaspoons ground cumin

- 5-10 drops cayenne sauce (Tabasco)
- 1 tablespoon lime juice
- 1 can black beans, drained
- Optional toppings: green onions, cilantro, jalapenos, salsa, cheddar cheese, sour cream

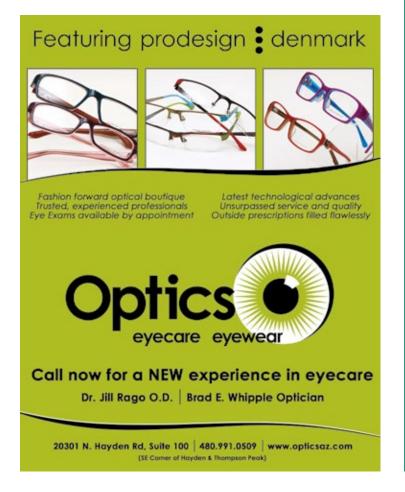
#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Heat oil on medium heat and add onion, garlic and sauté for 1-2 minutes. Add the rice and sauté for 2 minutes
- 2. Add vegetable broth, bring to a boil and cover with lid. Simmer on low (lightly bubbling) for 20 minutes.
- 3. Add spices, lime juice and beans and mix together.

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