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CALLING GOLFERS!

Want to enjoy a game of golf while raising money to send deserving Phoenix urban youth to camp?



The 11th annual Camp Colley Classic golf tournament is April 9, 2016 at Aguila Golf Course.

Hosted by Camp Colley Foundation, proceeds from the tournament support Camp Colley, providing structured, supervised outdoor recreation and nature education at the city of Phoenix-owned camp on the Mogollon Rim

for underserved urban youth. The event includes:

- ♦ Breakfast and lunch
- Antigua golf shirt
- ♦ 18 holes of golf
- ♦ Chances to win prizes including:
- -First Annual Poker Run (winning hand gets 4 passes to Disneyland)!
- -4 day/3 night stay in ocean-front luxury condo in Puerto Penasco, Mexico.
 - -Great silent auction prizes

Check in and breakfast begin at 6:30 a.m., shotgun start at 7:30 a.m. Register here.



GET TO KNOW...



TEAM SPOTLIGHT

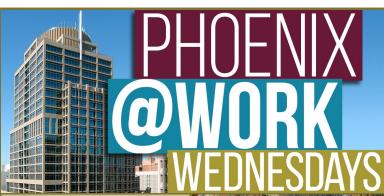
Have you met the team behind the newly revamped HR Connection Center (formerly HR Center)?

The team of seven staffers are your "front door" to all things Human Resources for both internal and external customers. These hard working city employees' main job is to answer your questions. Their goal is to solve your problem in one call or email, or connect you with the right person. These workers are also behind some of the city's most popular employee programs:

- Annual Excellence Awards
- ♦ Blood Drives
- ◆ CSFD
- ♦ HOPE Fund
- Quarterly Coffee with Ed
- ♦ Employee Suggestion Program
- ♦ Employee Tuition Program

They also have an easier phone number for you to use: 602-495-5700 or 55-700. Their email address has changed: hrc@phoenix.gov. You can also "live chat" with them via the Skype for Business Instant Message tool.

The team includes: Lupe Sierra (Lead), Chrystelle Tesselink, Barbara Paez, Jessica Arambula, Claudya Quintero and Joshua Fitzpatrick.



Julie

Riemenschneider

Programs Coordinator
Office of Environmental
Programs

Riemenschneider's job includes cleanup projects, helping with inspections, writing policy and helping ensure permit compliance.

Riemenschneider has been with the city for four years, including time as a Project Manager in Aviation.

"Taking care of our environment is critical for the health of our citizens, sustainability, and future growth."

She has her Masters in Geology because she loved playing with rocks and water and still collects rocks. (see picture above).

Favorite thing about working for the city of Phoenix:

"We have so many talented people to work with"



Her husband and three sons keep her busy when away from work with art, music, sports, hunting and hiking.



Fast Facts

- Favorite style of music:
 Real Country (not the pop stuff) or Classic Rock
- 3 words to describe her:
 Outgoing, energetic & direct
- Favorite kind of pizza:
 Cheeseburgers (don't like pizza)
- Unknown talent I have:Like to go hunting

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Have an idea for the next PHX Connect?

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JOIN THE CELEBRATION

Mayor Greg Stanton and Phoenix Sister Cities invite you to join our celebration of cultural diversity and help us honor the city of Phoenix Global Citizen of the Year at the third annual Mayor's International Gala.



This year's gala is bigger and

better than ever! Dine on international cuisine, enjoy world-class entertainment, and take a chance on winning three great raffle prizes including two round-trip airline tickets to any one of Phoenix's 10 Sister Cities, cash and custom-designed jewelry. Event proceeds benefit Phoenix Sister Cities' programs, which include international business relations and youth exchanges with the city's 10 Sister Cities. **Details:**

- ♦ Thursday, April 7
- Sheraton Grand Phoenix
- Raffle tickets are \$20 & winners don't need to be present
- ♦ Gala tickets are \$130 each
- ♦ Get your tickets online here or call (602) 534-3751

READY FOR THE RAIL



A reminder that the Northwest Light Rail Extension starts running this weekend. The 3mile extension now takes the light rail train to 19th Ave. and Dunlap. A

community event will take place and everyone is welcome. **Details:**

- ♦ Saturday, March 19
- ♦ 9 a.m. Noon
- ♦ 19th Ave. & Dunlap

MOVING DAY

The Equal Opportunity Department is moving back to City Hall. Starting Monday, March 28, the EOD staff will call the 15th floor home.

LEAVE DONATIONS

The following employee is accepting leave donations. If you'd like to help; use eChris to make your donation:

 Robert Provencio, Utility Technician, Water Services Department

BEATLES LIBRARY MANIA

Join Beatles scholar and author, Aaron Krerowicz for three multimedia programs exploring the history and music of the Beatles. Explore the music of the Beatles beginning with their visits to Hamburg, their partnership with legendary producer George Martin, and the rise of Beatlemania. Learn how the assassination of John F. Kennedy primed the nation for the Beatles' arrival. Compare and contrast the careers and music of the Beatles and the Rolling Stones.

<u>Visit here</u> for specific dates and locations, or call 602-262-4636 (for TTY use 7-1-1). Supported by the Friends of Phoenix Public Library.



TIME TO "DROP-IN"?

Join the Arizona Herb Association on the back patio at Pueblo Grande Museum for a drop-in informational

program about the herbs of the southwest, and discover the various uses of these plants. This informal presentation is included with paid museum admission.

Details:

- Saturday, March 19
- ♦ 10 a.m. Noon
- ♦ 4619 E. Washington St.



ROLL INTO SPRING

Grid Bike Share's bright green bikes are available everywhere throughout Phoenix's downtown and central corridors.

Starting Thursday, March 17, they will make their debut in the city of Mesa. With Grid Bike Share becoming regional, we'd like to invite you to check it out. They're great for making short trips and extending a transit trip. Plus, they're fun and easy to use – simply Release, Ride and Return.

Grid bikes are available through a "pay as you go" option or through monthly memberships. <u>Sign up here</u> for a monthly basic membership and receive one free month using this code: **GRIDMESA2016.** Call 602-753-4743 for more information.

BBQ FUNDRAISER

Help out a great cause tonight and eat some yummy food at the annual Phoenix Police Explorer Program BBQ Fundraiser.



The Explorer

Program allows 14 to 21 year olds to participate and assist in Police functions while considering a future career as a Phoenix Police Officer. Donations will help cover expenses for the program. **Details:**

- ♦ Wednesday, March 16
- ♦ 5 p.m.- 8 p.m.
- ♦ PLEA Parking Garage, 1102 W. Adams St.

GET YOUR FREE KIT

Did you know this is <u>Fix a Leak Week</u>? This national event is a call to action to hunt down drips and leaks draining our budgets. Stop by the <u>Fix a Leak Week</u> booth located right

across from
Starbucks at City
Hall to pick up
your own Toilet
Leak Detection
Test kit through
Monday. While
you're at the
booth, also check
out the Smart
Home Water
Guide to learn
more ways to find
and fix leaks.





JOB OF THE WEEK

Featured Listing: Utility Billing Specialist (Account Clerk III)

The Water Services Department is seeking candidates with bookkeeping or clerical accounting experience to perform highly detailed data entry in a fast-paced environment.

Each Monday, the city posts jobs available for current employees to consider. <u>Here's the link</u> to the most recent Job Opportunities.

CITY ART

The city of Phoenix has spent the last 30 years working to improve public art for its residents and visitors. Check all there is to offer in a special 15-minute video here.





THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

Click on the day to learn more about the story mentioned below.

- ♦ Monday 1879: Albert Einstein is born.
- ♦ Tuesday 44 B.C.: Julius Caesar is murdered.
- ♦ Wednesday 1802: U.S. Military Academy established.
- ♦ Thursday 2000: Julia Roberts is 1st actress to be paid \$20 million for a movie role.
- Friday 1852: Wells and Fargo start shipping and banking.



