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Partnerships: Community

Jeri Williams' law enforcement career is now full circle as she returns to her hometown roots and

becomes the new Phoenix Police Chief effective October 2016.

Since 2011 Williams has been the Police Chief of Oxnard, California. In Oxnard she has overseen

approximately 400 sworn and non-sworn employees and the management and operation

of a \$50 million budget. In addition, Williams managed with a focus on community based

policing, oversaw the implementation of police body cameras, coordinated training on use of force, legal issues and technology topics for 300+ California law enforcement agencies and guided the department during several high-profile events including largescale community protests.



Before California, Williams spent 22 years rising through the ranks of the Phoenix Police Department, After graduating from Arizona State University (ASU), she began her law enforcement career on the streets of Phoenix in 1988 as a police trainee. From 2009 to 2011 Williams was an Assistant Chief responsible for providing police protection to more than half of Phoenix's 500plus square miles and overseeing 1,000 sworn and non-sworn pol ice employees.

The Phoenix Police Department has nearly 4,000 employees and seven precincts that cover 500 square miles serving 1.5 million residents.



Police Chief Joe Yahner Retires

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Police Chief. I am very proud of all of you and the work you perform day in and day out. While I look forward to beginning the next chapter in my life, the reality of leaving this organization is bittersweet, but, the experiences I've had being a Phoenix police officer will always be among the most rewarding in my lifetime.

I entered this profession following in the footsteps of my father and my brother, who both proudly served this community for 30 years. Throughout my career, I have been truly blessed to have had the opportunity to know and work with so many outstanding people. The men and women of the Phoenix Police Department,

past and present, have and continue to be the best in the profession.

When I was entrusted with the responsibility of leading this Department, I made it my mission to focus our efforts on five priorities: Crime Suppression, Community Engagement and Outreach, Hiring, Training and Technology.

Together, we've accomplished a lot in a relatively short period of time. I truly appreciate your support, your hard work, and the dedication and commitment you demonstrate every day in service to our community.

Thank you and continue to be safe.

Joe Yahner



City Of Phoenix Hosts International Conference Of The Law Enforcement Torch Run For Special Olympics

The Law Enforcement Torch Run International Conference is the cornerstone for providing education, motivation and inspiration to the LETR volunteers worldwide and is a critical component in the overall growth and success of the LETR Movement.

Law Enforcement from all over the world gather together to learn from one another and discuss new ide-

as on how to expand the Torch Run Movement.





This year the conference was held in Phoenix and the festivities were planned thought he entire weekend. Breakout sessions, brain storming and very emotional and uplifting speakers educated and inspired the conferees. There were vendors with memorabilia, jurisdictional trading artifacts and of course the *torch run shirts* for all to buy and share. With the fine dinners, hotel accommodations and our very own D-Backs game on the list of "things to do", the folks from out of town (and across the globe) were treated to Arizona style fun in the sun. The local Departments all chipped together and provided a host that will leave an impression for years to come.

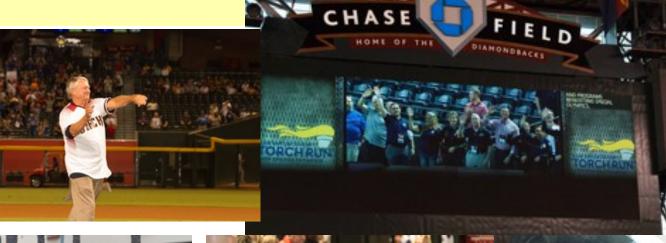
Next year's convention will be held in Tennessee. Meanwhile for us there are a number of opportunities to serve, volunteer, and participate in Special Olympics. In December will be "Over the Edge". Spring of 2017 we will have our Arizona Torch run. The following link will provide upcoming events and opportunities to witness firsthand how incredible this organization is and the benefits to our community.



http://www.specialolympicsarizona.org/letr





















The Law Enforcement Torch Run And Special Olympics Honored At Chase Field

One of the conference highlights were Phoenix very own Diamondbacks. A short walk through the city from the hotel to the stadium arriving in time for Chief Lamunyon to throw out the first pitch. Chief Lamunyon is heralded as the founder of LETR and has been participating since 1972.

After the game started some athletes and conferees were given a "photo op" and autographs with Luis "Emilio" Gonzalez, nicknamed "Gonzo", a former Arizona Diamondbacks outfielder and was one of the most popular players in the organization's history.

The game and brief walk through the streets is joyful way of bringing attention to special Olympics and helps raise funds for the organization. Law Enforcement and the largest fund raiser for Special Olympics raising over 5 million dollars last year.



The Law Enforcement Torch Run "Final Leg"









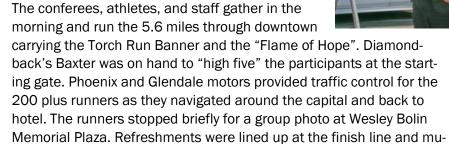








sic and dancing for those with a little left over energy.







Special Olympics' Phoenix Law Enforcement "Tip-A-Cop"



Red Robin 2501 W Happy Valley Rd hosted "Tip A-Cop". Participating were Phoenix Police Department, Community Relation Bureau and Black Mountain Precinct officers and staff. The idea is to bring awareness to Special Olympics. How it works: Police Officers wait drinks at table and visit with patrons and explain the benefits from what the Special Olympics Arizona bring to the Arizona Olympians. Above what would be tipped for their servers, officers collect the donations from the patrons and this evening raised over \$1.600 dollars.

Officer Luz Fernandez coordinated with Red Robin the third annual Tip-a-Cop and recruited Cao's from the 20X Squad to help with "tips". Officer Fink brought his motor and gave patrons "rides" for photo ops and Officer Branham parked "Phoenix Blue" outside and played music and let folks sit in and have their photos taken. With the smiles on

faces and the amount raised for Special Olympics it was a great evening and a fine dinner.















Special Olympics' Phoenix Law Enforcement "Fuel Of Dreams"

















Special Olympics partnering with Phoenix Police Department and Fry's Foods Stores, raises funds by having officers, in this case Phoenix recruits assist motorist at the gas pumps and donate "tips". At four location across the valley for three hours Phoenix recruits class 493, washed windshields, pumped gas and accepted tips for the event. Detective Luz Fernandez, Officer Justin Martin were a few coordinators of the event. Pam Giannonatti Consumer and Community Relations Manager with Fry's Food Stores along with her staff were excited to see this event at their stores. They gained \$4000.00 for the cause.









Commander Robinson Receives "Heart of the House" Award

On November 12, 2016 Commander Robinson was honored at the annual Ronald McDonald House Gala, receiving the "Heart of the House Award". Commander Robinson previously served two terms as the president of Ronald McDonald House (RMH), is cur-



rently on the board of directors, and co-chair of the RMH Strategic Planning Task Force.

Under the leadership of Commander Robinson RMH expanded to the East Valley constructing a \$2.1 million, 16 room Ronald McDonald House on the campus of Cardon Children's Medical Center.

Commander Robinson's outstanding dedication to the Ronald McDonald House is simply impressive. The Ronald McDonald House serves families dealing with tremendous family challenges that most of us will never face. These families and RMH are blessed to have a proven, dedicated leader, to move them into the future.

Commander Robinson's involvement with RMH shows his compassion for community involvement, his strength of character, and his integrity for paying it forward. Commander Robinson is not only an outstanding leader within the department, but truly is a champion of RMH.

Paseo Highlands Elementary Honors Veterans and

First Responders

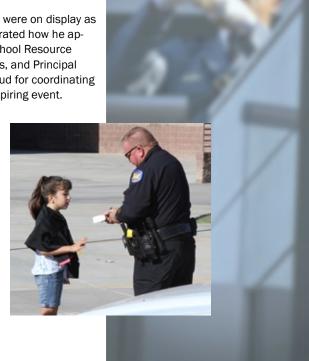


Paseo Highlands Elementary k-8th grade, had a very special day honoring their "hero's". Representatives from the armed services, police and fire fighters were honored as the students wrote poems, sang, and played music to commemorate their service and sacrifice. The 12th annual event reunited a young student with his older brother with an unexpected return from service.

Police and fire equipment were on display as a Canine Officer demonstrated how he apprehends the criminal. School Resource Officer Tammy Tang-Hynes, and Principal Dawn Pace should be proud for coordinating such a successful and inspiring event.









Dispose of Meds Properly, at Your Precinct

It can be dangerous to leave unneeded and unwanted prescription drugs in your home. In an effort to keep these medications away from children and out of our water supply, Med Return boxes have recently been installed at each <u>precinct</u> and substation.

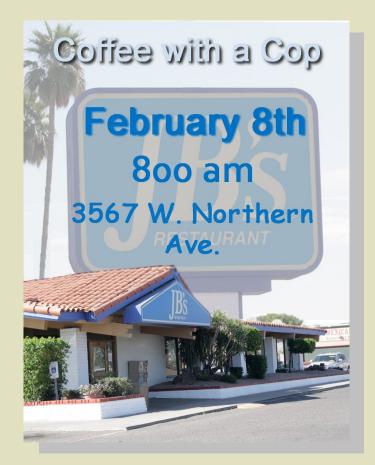
All prescription medication left in these boxes will be safely disposed of.

Acceptable items that can be left in the drop box include: prescription medications, prescription patches, prescription ointments, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, samples and pet medication.



"IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT DEMOC-RACY IS THE WORST FORM OF GOVERNMENT EXCEPT ALL THOSE OTHER FORMS THAT HAVE BEEN TRIED FROM TIME TO TIME."

- WINSTON CHURCHILL



Cactus Park Community Alliance

CPCA monthly meeting:

7600 N 27th Avenue 6:30 pm January 25th



