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NOMINATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED

Positions are open for

President Treasurer One Board Position

COPMEA will take nominations from September 21 thru October 19

PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE IN THE UPCOMING COPMEA ELECTION

> YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

AND DON'T FORGET

TO VOTE IN THE UPCOMING

CITY RUNOFF ELECTION AS WELL

> YOUR VOICE IS YOUR VOTE





SPECIAL NOTE

Municipals is longer being individually mailed to the members. The newsletter may be accessed online at the COPMEA website, www.COPMEA.com. The newsletter will continue to be mailed to retirees.

COPMEA OFFICERS Paul Mendez, President Elizabeth Fierro-Phasley, Vice President Connie Haesloop, Treasurer Karen Becketts, Recording Secretary

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Comments made in the year 1955!

'l'll tell you one thing, if things Keep going the way they are, it's going to be impossible to Buy a week's groceries for \$10.00. '



'Have you seen the new cars Coming out next year? It won't Be long before \$1, 000.00 will Only buy a used one.'



AND THIS WAS JUST HALF A CENTURY AGO!

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Nature's Pain Reliever GERONIMO'S REMEDIES A Legend In Healing Eucalyptus Oil and Balm



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poetry corner

Forgetter Be Forgotten?

My forgetter's getting better, But my rememberer is broke To you that may seem funny But, to me, that is no joke

For when I'm 'here' I'm wondering If I really should be 'there' And, when I try to think it through, I haven't got a prayer!

Oft times I walk into a room, Say 'what am I here for?' I wrack my brain, but all in vain! A zero, is my score.

At times I put something away Where it is safe, but, Gee! The person it is safest from is, generally, me!

When shopping I may see someone, Say 'Hí' and have a chat, Then, when the person walks away I ask myself, 'who the hell was that?

Yes, my forgetter's getting better While my rememberer is broke, And it's driving me plumb crazy And that isn't any joke.

CAN YOU RELATE ???





Now Available Price is \$30.00 Books are available for the Phoenix area And also for Las Vegas.

2012 Entertainment books

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

OCTOBER 19, 2011

NOVEMBER 16, 2011

DECEMBER 21, 2011

Membership meetings are held at the Phoenix Personnel Building, First Floor, 135 North Second Avenue at 5:30 p.m.



<u>Aviation</u>

Carol Olney

Finance Maria Hilda Duran

Human Resources Beverly Moore

<u>Parks</u>

Alonso Avitia Tirso Madrid Robert Rodriguez

Otis Harris

<u>Planning</u>

Police

Maria Caballero

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The COMFORT program, which provides oneon-one reading and interaction with children of homeless families, is recruiting volunteers. The program is at the Watkins Emergency Shelter, 1120 W. Watkins St.

Volunteers commit a minimum of two hours twice a month for a minimum of one month. The COMFORT season is from 6 to 8 p.m., Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday, Nov. 29, 2011 to May 6, 2012. No experience is required and free training is provided.

The program has been in existence for more than a decade and relies solely on city of Phoenix employees and their families to provide one-on-one interaction with the children. Families with children are the fastest growing segment of the homeless population.

For more information, to arrange a COMFORT Program presentation to your department or division or to volunteer, contact Tamyra Spendley at <u>tamyra.spendley@phoenix.gov</u> or 602-262-6658. One hour of your time may be worth more than \$1,800 to a working family. The city's Earned Income Tax Credit Campaign needs Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers who will help low-income working individuals and families prepare their taxes and claim the federal Earned Income Tax Credit.

To train volunteers for the upcoming tax season, the Internal Revenue Service and the city of Phoenix are partnering to hold free training sessions from November to January at locations around the city.

Last year, VITA volunteers helped prepare more than 5,700 returns resulting in more than \$9 million to Phoenix residents. For more information on becoming a VITA volunteer, visit phoenix.gov/eitc, call 602-262-4520 or email eitc@phoenix.gov.



So How Hot Was It Really This Summer? Welcome Fall!







WE HAVE DISCOUNTS

The COPMEA Office has discounts available for many local and out of state attractions and events. For special events or quick turnaround, watch for Flyers from the COPMEA Office. Also keep an eye on Muncipals — we try to get the news to you!

LOCAL DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

<u>Movie Theatres</u> Harkins AMC Special Engagement (H	arkins & AMC)	\$ 6.00 \$ 6.00 \$ 7.50
Enchanted Island at Encante Unlimited Rides	<u>o Park</u>	\$ 6.00
Castles and Coasters Unlimited Rides And Golf Adult/Child (5 Hour Ticket Li	mit)	\$15.50
Arizona Science Center General Admission		\$18.00
<u>Phoenix Zoo</u> Adult (Reg. \$16.00) Child		\$13.00 \$ 7.00
Wildlife World Zoo & Aquarium (gate price \$29/\$15) Adults Child (3-12)		\$22.00 \$10.00
Out of Africa (gate price \$36/\$20 Adults Child (3-12))	\$18.00 \$10.00
<u>Desert Botanical Gardens</u> Adults Child (3-12)		\$12.00 \$ 3.50
Arizona Sea Life Aquarium, Arizona Mills Reg price - Adult \$18.50 and Child \$10.50		\$10.00
Sunsplash (gate price \$28)	CLOSED	\$19.50
Wet and Wild	UNTIL	\$28.00
Big Surf	MEMORIAL DAY	\$18.00

<u>Disneyland Tickets</u> (Must be paid by Debit or Credit card Only)		
2-Day, 1 Park per day 2-Day Park Hopper 3-Day Park Hopper 4-Day Park Hopper	Adult \$150.10 \$164.35 \$192.60 \$210.60	<u>Child 3-9</u> \$138.70 \$152.95 \$178.20 \$194.40
5 Day Park Hopper <u>Promotional Park Tickets, June 29 t</u> 3-Day Park Hopper Bonus Ticket 4-Day Park Hopper Bonus Ticket 5-Day Park Hopper Bonus Ticket	\$221.40 <u>hru October 1</u> \$179.10 \$197.10 \$207.90	\$203.40 .2011 \$164.70 \$180.90 \$189.90
Citypass Tickets valid thru Decembe	er 31, 2011 <u>\$248.40</u>	<u>\$206.10</u>

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TICKETS

CALIFORNIA DISCOUNT TICKETS FOR MEMBERS TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT COPMEA OFFICE <i>All tickets are subject to change without Notice!</i>		
Seaworld Single Day (gate price \$69.99 Adult/\$59.99 Child)	\$45.00	
Universal Studios (<i>Must be paid by debit/cre All Prices Shown are Adult or Child</i> 3-Day Pass Annual Pass FOL Pass	edit card) \$ 64.00 \$ 74.00 \$149.00	
<u>Six Flags Magic Mountain</u> Adults (gate price \$59.99) Child 48" and Under (gate price \$34.99)	\$26.00 \$17.50	
<u>Hurricane Harbor</u> Adults (gate price \$34.99) Child 48" and Under (gate price \$19.99)	\$20.00 \$15.00	
<u>San Diego Zoo</u> Adults (gate price \$35) Child 3-11 (gate price \$26)	\$32.00 \$24.00	
San Diego Wild Animal Park Adults (gate price \$35) Child 3-11 (gate price \$26)	\$32.00 \$24.00	
Legoland Adults and Child (gate price adults \$69.90, child 3-12 & Senior 60	\$53.00)+ \$59)	
Legoland and Sea Life Aquarium Resort Hopper Ticket Adults and Child (gate price adults \$89, child 3-12 & Senior 60+ \$	\$63.00 \$79)	
Knotts Berry Farm Adult 12+ (gate price \$43) Child (gate price \$33) Senior 62+ (gate price \$33) Adults are Age 3 & Up 48" & Up Child are Age 3 & Up 48" & Under	\$30.00 \$21.00 \$21.00	

All Ticket Prices are subject to Change without Notice COPMEA may also sell tickets for events at the America West Arena Call the COPMEA Office at 262-6857 for further details.

<u>IMPORTANT NOTE</u>: COPMEA trips outside of the United States, <u>Require a passport</u> NO EXCEPTIONS.

Busch Entertainment Corporation

Discounts are also available from the Busch Entertainment Corporation for Adventure Island Tampa, Busch Garden Tampa, Sesame Place, SeaWorld Orlando, SeaWorld San Antonio, SeaWorld Orlanda & Aquatica, Busch Gardens Williamsburg, and Water Country USA.

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COPMEA members, the Office Staff ask that you please remember:

- Credit and debit cards will be accepted ONLY for Disneyland or Universal Studios. All other transactions are cash or check.
- Please have your COPMEA cards ready when making any purchases.
- Report any changes in membership and address changes to the office.
- Tickets for monthly events are restricted to your membership and your COPMEA card is required to purchase tickets.
- Please keep in mind when making vacation plans to purchase your tickets to any of the California amusement parks as far in advance as possible as there is a **limited** supply on hand.
- E-mail the Office or visit the website at www.copmea.com

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