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FRIDAY DECEMBER 11, 2009

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- Please have your COPMEA cards ready when making any purchases.
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COPMEA
2009 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS
Historic City Hall
17 South 2nd Avenue
Ceremonial Room
(unless otherwise noted)
5:30 p.m.

November 18, 2009 (Wednesday)
December 16, 2009 (Wednesday)

Keep Current on COPMEA Happenings
Attend the Monthly Meetings

COPMEA ELECTION

Voting will be held Nov. 1st - 30th only. Call the COPMEA office to have a ballot interofficed or come to the office and vote. Nominated Candidate statements are shown below.



Paul Mendez

Hi COPMEA Members, I am running for another term as your COPMEA President. I have served on the BOARD OF DIRECTORS for 6 years and 1 year as Vice-President. I have been a Copmea member since 1994 and currently enjoy my position as President. It is always a pleasure meeting new members and greeting all members at Copmea events. I always welcome new ideas and consider the Copmea membership an important voice involving new events and improving existing ones.

I have served on many committees such as the Picnic, Valentines Dance, Rocky Point Trip, Las Vegas Night, Children's Holiday Party and Luau Event. All of these events have been well attended and I have seen many new members.

Serving another term, as President will be a great pleasure for me as we look forward to better events, meeting challenges and I will serve you again with Enthusiasm and Dedication.

Thank You



Consuelo (Connie) Haesloop

Hello, I am currently Treasurer of COPMEA and I am seeking another term. I retired in 2000, with over 30 years of service with the City of Phoenix, and a COPMEA member since 1973. I have served as Treasurer of COPMEA for the last 6 years and have enjoyed serving the membership in this capacity.

I have chaired and assisted with various events including the trips to southern California. Many changes have occurred this past year with the COPMEA organization and our current Board Of Directors have met these challenges head on. I am always willing to listen to new ideas regarding events or any issues our members might have to make our organization stronger.

COPMEA is a great organization and we all need to become more active, by attending the monthly membership meeting. This is where policy is set and business is voted on. We need to work together towards making COPMEA solid and strong so we can all benefit from it. I am asking for your vote and support.

Thank you.



Gabriel Bernal

My name is Gabriel Bernal and I am running for a seat on the Copmeas Board. I've been a City of Phoenix employee for 12 years and an active Copmea member for 9 years. I currently work for the Streets Department. My hobbies include coaching baseball, fishing, camping and basically anything outdoors. My family and I have attended many Copmea activities. Now that my children are older I feel I am able to apply my time and efforts to continue making Copmea a bigger and better organization. I am a fun guy and will bring to Copmea new and exciting activities that will attract all members. I am dependable and responsible and will gladly listen to suggestions you may have on how to continue making Copmea the best it can be. Vote for me and we can continue this journey together.

Thank you.



Connie Cordova

My name is Connie Cordova. I grew up in Phoenix and I raised my family here. I worked in the Transportation field for twenty years as a driver and a clerk. I have been with the City of Phoenix Human Services Department (HSD) Reserve a Ride for three years. I work with an amazing team of drivers who truly work as a team, take their jobs serious, and are very devoted to assisting the senior citizen community. I am honored to be a part of a wonderful group of people.

I have participated in various committees since my employment with the City. I was a part of the annual picnic committee for two years. I was involved as a lead decorator and in the set up and tear downs for large groups from 250 to 400 city employees and their families. I was also on the community service fund drive and raised money threw auctions, ice cream sales, basket raffles, food sales.

I was part of the negations team for the local 777 union constructing the 2009-2010 MOU. I was able to work with some amazing people such as directors from various departments and I met Mr. Frank Fairbanks who is a very nice person. For Reserve-A-Ride, I have hosted holiday luncheons, raffles, games, and potlucks. Currently, I am participating in policies and procedures committee for HSD. I am very devoted to all that I do. I take it very seriously, and also have fun doing it. I have seen your board members in action, they seem devoted to what they do, I am impressed by them and I would be honored to be apart of your wonderful team.

Sincerely,
Connie Cordova



Lina Cruz

My name is Lina Cruz. I have been a COPMEA member for 17 years and a board member for the past three. My family and I have participated and enjoyed many fun filled COPMEA gatherings. I take pleasure in coordinating COPMEA trips to the Los Angeles Garment District and Las Vegas. I also assist other board members with their events and have assisted with the BINGO, picnic, Valentines Day dance and the Luau.

Another vital function that I serve as a COPMEA board member is a fiduciary role. My goals are to comply with official directives and to stay within the approved budget for all activities and events.

I am running for a second three year term and hope to have your support and vote in this election.

Thank you.



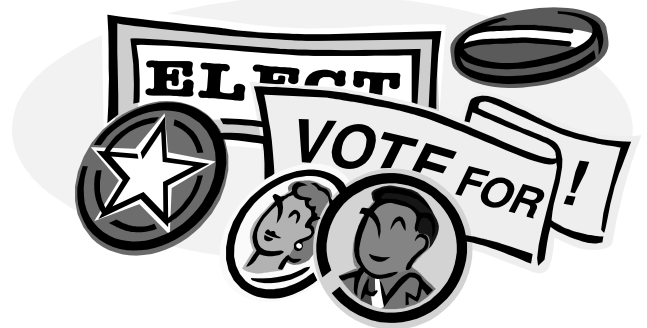
Liz Fierro-Phasley

I am currently on the Board of Directors and I am seeking another 3 year term. I have been a City of Phoenix employee and a member of Copmea for 31 years and have enjoyed many events.

During my terms as a Board Member I have served on many committees, such as the Golf Tournaments, Sedona Lights Trips, Castles N Coasters, Bowling, February Dance event and have assisted with many others.

I have enjoyed working hard for the members of Copmea and would like the opportunity to continue planning and coordinating events for the membership. Copmea is a great organization for City of Phoenix employees and their families with many great deals and opportunities to see Old Friends and make new ones.

So I ask for your vote as I seek another term as a Board Member. It would be my pleasure to continue to be a part of a great organization, and help Copmea grow.



"To celebrate growing older, I once wrote the 45 lessons life taught me."

Written By Regina Brett, 90 years old, of The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio

- 1 Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
- 2 When in doubt, just take the next small step.
- 3 Life is too short to waste time hating anyone.
- 4 Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and parents will. Stay in touch.
- 5 Pay off your credit cards every month.
- 6 You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
- 7 Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.
- 8 It's OK to get angry with God. He can take it.
- 9 Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.
- 10 When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.
- 11 Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.
- 12 It's OK to let your children see you cry.
- 13 Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
- 14 If a relationship has to be a secret, you shouldn't be in it.
- 15 Everything can change in the blink of an eye. But don't worry; God never blinks.

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Joe Guzmán

Hello members of COPMEA.
My name is Joe Guzmán and I am currently employed with The Street Transportation Department. I have been employed with the City of Phx since 1985 and I also became a member of COPMEA that same year.

Here is a list of departments where I have worked:
Parks Department (11 mo.) - Grounds Keeper
Planning Department (10 yrs) - Planning Tech 2 & 3
Street Transportation (9 yrs) - Senior Engineer Tech & Chief Engineer Technician
Development Services (3yrs 9 mo) - Principal Engineer Technician

As a current board member I have had the great opportunity to organize 2 of COMPEA's Annual Hawaiian Luau. I encourage City Employees to become active members at a low cost, to take advantage, and enjoy all that COPMEA has to offer. Please VOTE for me in this next election.

Thank you and I look forward to serving you!



Michael Haesloop

Hello, my name is Michael Haesloop. I have been a member of COPMEA for over 18 years. Besides enjoying the many benefits of COPMEA for my family and myself, I have previously served as a Board Member and Vice President of the organization. I have seen the enjoyment and advantages of belonging as an employee for the City of Phoenix. You get to meet many more people than you could at work and share in trips and events at greatly discounted prices. When you have the opportunity to volunteer for events or serve on a board or committee with COPMEA the only thing it costs is a little time and you get far more in return.

I have been nominated again to run for the COPMEA Board of Directors. I would like to support the current Officers and staff which have made the group better for all City of Phoenix employees both financially and as an extra employee benefit in these times. I ask you to please consider voting for me this November.

My name is Louis Matamoros and I am running for a position on the COPMEA board. I have been employed with the City for over twenty years. I have been a member of COPMEA the entire time. I currently work in the Aviation Department as a Contracts Manager.

If I am elected, I will continue to take an active role in COPMEA events. If elected I will do everything in my power to take COPMEA to the next level

I was involved with Executive Board of the Community Service Fund Drive, and organized the Co-ed Softball league for city employees. The events I have worked on include the children's Christmas party, Las Vegas night, Bingo Night and the picnic. I have enjoyed serving your needs and will continue to do so.

My accounting background will enable me to understand the financial responsibilities of the organization. I will ensure all financial transactions are well documented. I will always be available for your questions and concerns about COPMEA. With your continued support, I will serve the COPMEA membership.

Thank you for your vote for Louis Matamoros for Board Member.



Ray Yocopis

Hello,

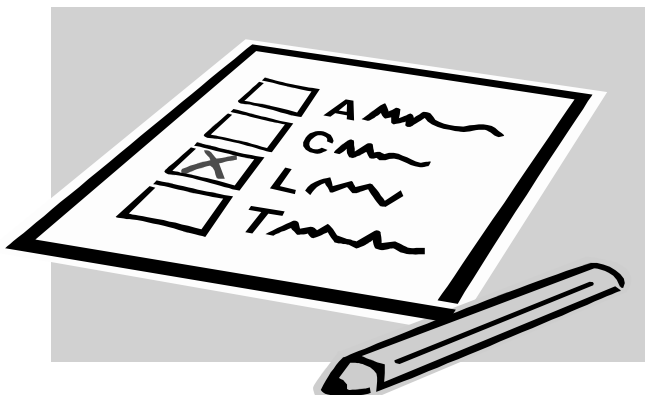
My name is Ray Yocopis and I am running for the Copmea Board of Directors position in January of 2010.

I have been a city employee for 9 years and have been a Copmea member for just as long. In truth, I feel like I have been a Copmea member all of my life. As the son of a former city employee I have been fortunate to have enjoyed the benefits of Copmea all of my life. I would like to give back to such a fine organization by devoting my experience and passion in helping to continue the quality services that Copmea provides to past and present employees.

In my work experience, I have had the opportunity to serve on a wide variety of boards and committees both city and private. I currently serve on the executive board of the City of Phoenix Employees for Christ. I serve on the Isaac multi-cultural parade committee and serve on the executive committee of Fuerza de Comunidad. In the past I have served two, three year terms on the deacon board of my church, I worked on the city Diversity Task Force, served as the school board president for St. Matthew's Elementary School and served on the Latino Institute.

My background in training and development has given me the opportunity to be involved in helping to organize and implement city wide training. I have excellent organizational skills and have a passion for helping people to improve themselves. I have experience in coordinating large events and am a trained facilitator.

It would be an honor and a privilege if you would select me to represent your interests on the Copmea Board of Directors.



- 16 Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.
- 17 Get rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
- 18 Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.
- 19 It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second one is up to you and no one else.
- 20 When it comes to going after what you love in life, don't take no for an answer.
- 21 Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion. Today is special.
- 22 Over prepare, then go with the flow.
- 23 Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
- 24 The most important sex organ is the brain.
- 25 No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
- 26 Frame every so-called disaster with these words 'In five years, will this matter?'
- 27 Always choose life.
- 28 Forgive everyone everything.
- 29 What other people think of you is none of your business.
- 30 Time heals almost everything. Give time time.
- 31 However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
- 32 Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
- 33 Believe in miracles.
- 34 God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.
- 35 Don't audit life. Show up and make the most of it now.
- 36 Growing old beats the alternative -- dying young.
- 37 Your children get only one childhood.
- 38 All that truly matters in the end is that you loved.
- 39 Get outside every day. Miracles are waiting everywhere.
- 40 If we all threw our problems in a pile and saw everyone else's, we'd grab ours back.
- 41 Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
- 42 The best is yet to come.
- 43 No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
- 44 Yield.
- 45 Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift."

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<u>Movie Theatres</u>	
Harkins	\$ 6.00
Special Engagement	\$ 7.50
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Special Engagement	\$ 7.50
IMAX (Reg. \$9.50)	\$ 8.00
IMAX Special Engagement (Reg. \$14.00)	\$10.00
<u>Enchanted Island at Encanto Park</u>	
Unlimited Rides	\$ 6.00
<u>Castles and Coasters</u>	
Unlimited Rides And Golf	
Adult/Child (5 Hour Ticket Limit)	\$15.50
<u>Arizona Science Center</u>	
General Admission	\$18.00
<u>Phoenix Zoo</u>	
Adult (Reg. \$16.00)	\$11.00
Child (Reg. \$6.00)	\$ 4.00
<u>Wildlife World Zoo & Aquarium</u>	
Adults	\$25.00
Child (3-12)	\$12.00

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 special events at the America West Arena
 Call the COPMEA Office at 262-6857 for further details.

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<u>Disneyland 2009 Park Hopper Tickets</u> (Disney must be paid by debit/credit card)	
<u>2-Day Hopper</u>	
Adult (gate price \$151)	\$143.45
Child 3-9 (gate price \$131)	\$124.45
<u>3-Day Hopper</u>	
Adult 10 + (reg. price \$204)	\$165.60
Child 3-9 (reg. price \$174)	\$138.60
<u>4-Day Hopper</u>	
Adult 10+ (reg. price \$229)	\$179.10
Child 3-9 (reg. price \$199)	\$152.10
<u>5-Day Hopper</u>	
Adult 10+(reg. price \$249)	\$188.10
Child 3-9 (reg. price \$219)	\$161.10

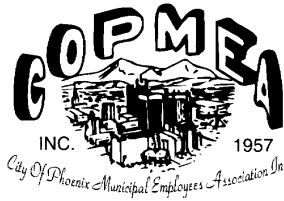
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<u>Seaworld</u>	
Adults (gate price \$65)	\$51.00
Child (gate price \$55)	\$45.50
<i>This is a 2-Day ticket. Tickets must be used by the expiration date stamped on the ticket.</i>	
<u>Universal Studios</u>	
<i>All Prices Shown are Adult or Child</i>	
Two-day ticket (gate price \$68)	\$57.00
Annual Pass (gate price \$74)	\$68.00
Front of the Line (gate price \$129)	\$99.00
<u>Six Flags Magic Mountain</u>	
Adults (gate price \$59.99)	\$25.00
Child 48" and Under (gate price \$29.99)	\$15.00
<u>San Diego Zoo</u>	
Adults (gate price \$34)	\$27.50
Child (gate price \$24)	\$20.50
<u>San Diego Wild Animal Park</u>	
Adults (gate price \$34)	\$27.50
Child (gate price \$24)	\$20.50
<u>Legoland</u>	
Adults and Child (gate price adults \$59.95, child 3-12 and Seniors 60 & older \$49.95)	\$44.00
<u>Legoland and Sea Life Aquarium</u>	
Adults and Child (gate price adults \$59, child 3-12 and Seniors 60 & older \$64.95)	\$53.00
<u>Knotts Berry Farm</u>	
Adult (gate price \$43)	\$27.00
Child (gate price \$33)	\$20.00
Senior 62+	\$20.00
<i>Adults are Age 3 & Up 48" & Up Child are Age 3 & Up 48" & Under</i>	
<u>Knotts Berry Farm Soak City</u>	
Adults	\$21.00
Child (3-11) and Senior (62+)	\$19.00
<u>Aquarium of the Pacific</u>	
Long Beach, California	
Adult (gate price \$23.95)	\$14.95
Child 3-11 (gate price \$11.95)	\$9.95



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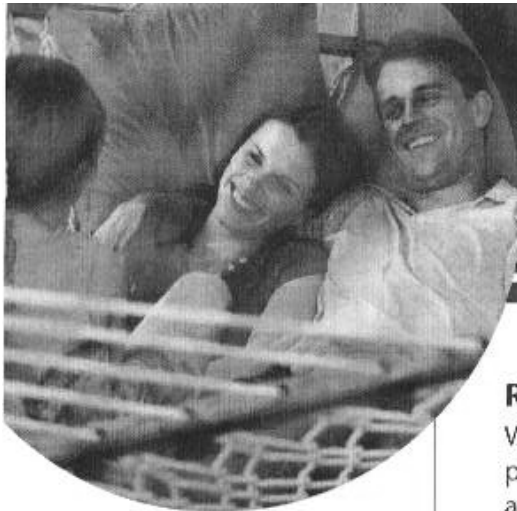
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