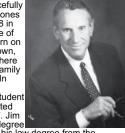
Obituaries

Allen James Clark July 7, 1946 - December 22, 2018

Allen James Clark, known to friends as Jim, died peacefully surrounded by his loved ones on December 22nd, 2018 in Yuma, Arizona at the age of seventy-two. Jim was born on July 7th, 1946 in Johnstown, Pennsylvania and lived there until he was twelve; his family then moved to Phoenix. In high school, he played football, participated in student



football, participated in student government, and was voted "Most Likely to Succeed". Jim received his bachelor's degree in Government and then his law degree from the University of Arizona. He graduated near the top of his law class. Beginning in 1971, he ran a successful law practice for over forty years, most of which was practiced in Yuma. A few of his many accomplishments include conting on the Arizona Surpreme Court include: serving on the Arizona Supreme Court
Committee on Character and Fitness, being named one
of the one hundred best civil trial lawyers in Arizona in 2011 and 2012, and serving as a judge on the Yuma County Superior Court. Along with his first wife, Carol, he lovingly raised and generously provided for two daughters, Ann and Sarah, in Yuma, Arizona. In 2006, he popur he married his beloved wife Lili.

Aside from his professional life, Jim had a deep love for Aside from its professional file, and the outdoors and fishing. He was a smart, creative, funny, generous, and passionate man. No one was better at celebrating than Jim - he was the first to pop a bottle of champagne when the occasion warranted it. Jim continued to provide help and support to his children and grandchildren in multiple ways long after they were grown. Jim will be sorrely missed by his wife they were grown. Jim will be sorely missed by his wife, Lili Clark, his daughters Ann Clark (Jason) and Sarah Clark (Jerry), his brother Bill Clark (Nancy), his sister Jeannè Clárk, his grandsons, Zeke, Leo, ánd Cyrus and his friend and paralegal, Jeanie Sullivan (Jim). Jim was predeceased by his mother, Marion Clark, and his father, William Clark.

A funeral service will be held at 2 PM on Friday A juneral service will be held at 2 PM on Friday, December 28, 2018 at Johnson Mortuary, 1415 S. 1st Avenue Yuma, Arizona. A reception at the Garden Cafe Restaurant, 250 South Madison Ave, will begin at 4:30 PM. A graveside service will be held at 9:30 AM on December 31st.

Memorial donations may be made to: The National Park Foundation (www.nationalparks.org).
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Francisco L. Orduno September 25, 1927 - December 21, 2018

Francisco L. Orduno, 91 passed away surrounded by family on December 21, 2018. He was born in Imperial. California and raised in Somerton, Arizona. Francisco (Pancho) was a well known singer and musician for over 60 years, and proudly 60 years, and proudly participated as a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary



Catholic Church choir in Somerton for several years. Francisco's love of music was an everlasting passion of his, and it inspired generations of his family to become musicians, dancers and artists in their own kind.

A U.S. Army Veteran, Francisco was honorably discharged with a WWII End of War Victory Medal. While in the service, one of his fondest memories was having the honor to personally serve lunch to two famous celebrities of the era - actors Tyrone Power and Jane Powell. He also enjoyed playing the guitar and singing to his fellow service members within his unit.

Francisco is survived by his wife of 70 years, Ramona, Children Frank C. Orduno (Jane), Sandra Orduno, and Diana Alvarado, all of Yuma, and Angela Molina (Fernando) of Tucson, 13 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren. Also surviving are brothers Vincent Orduno, Angel Orduno (Mary), and sisters Lupe Marmolejo (Mac), Carmen Rodriguez (Manuel) and Rosemary Rosales (Rick). Francisco was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, and five brothers.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 28, 2018 at 11:30 AM at Yuma Mortuary, 775 S. 5th Ave., Yuma, AZ. Burial will follow at Desert Lawn Memorial Park. A reception will immediately follow at the Eagles Hall, 225 S 1st Ave, Yuma, AZ. Donations may be made in his honor to Hospice of Yuma.

FUNERAL NOTICES

Walter Otto Jaegge

Yuma, died on Dec. 20, 2018, at Kindred Homes II. Yuma Mortuary and Creat Kindred Homes II. Born Dec. 28, 1918, in Queens, NY, he was a man-

Memorial services will Rosemary J. Pasqual

be held Friday at St. John
Newman Church at 9 a.m.

Of Winterhaven, Califor-Yuma Mortuary and Crematory is handling the arrangements.

Francisco Lopez **Orduno**

Francisco Lopez Orduno, 91, died on Dec. 21, 2018, at his home in Yuma.

Born Sept. 25, 1927, in Mesicali, Mexico, he was a bus driver for Somerton District Transportation.

A Rosary and chapel service will be held on Friday at 11:30 a.m. at Yuma

Walter Otto Jaegge Mortuary and Crematory.

Burial will follow at 1 p.m.

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nia, died on Dec. 23, 2018 at Yuma Regional Medical Born May 18, 1939, at Fort

Born May 18, 1939, at Fort Yuma, she was a librarian. Funeral services will take place Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Yuma Mortuary and Crematory, to follow Quechan Big House for tribal rights. Cremation will take place at dawn on Sunday at Quechan Cem-

Yuma Mortuary and Crematory is handling the arrangements.

COLD

with a low of 43. For Friday and Saturday, those are dropping to highs of 58 and lows of about 39 degrees.

Wellton's forecast highs for those same two days are just a little cooler at 56 degrees, but the lows are down to 28 degrees.

There's a few areas out there in central Yuma County which are notorious for getting a little colder, so there might be a big difference there. That's one of the reasons for the freeze watch out there," Benedict

Beyond the weekend, temps are predicted to rise a little bit before another high-level, low-pressure system comes through, he said.

"So there may not be too much change, just slight warmups between these two systems we're getting those. Unfortunately we're at the time of year where the temperature with the

deserts it does drop off much quicker," he said. He said aside from a slight chance on Friday, no precipitation is expected with this cold front, just "cold winds blowing down the Colorado River Valley.'

Doubts raised about border agency

HOUSTON — The deaths of two migrant children in just over two weeks raised strong new doubts Wednesday about the ability of U.S. border authorities to care for the thousands of minors arriving as part of a surge of families trying to enter the country.

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An 8-year-old boy identified by Guatemalan officials as Felipe Gomez Alonzo died in U.S. custody at a New Mexico hospital on Christmas Eve after suffering a cough, vomiting and fever, authorities said. The cause is under investigation, as is the death Dec. 8 of another Guatemalan child, 7-year-old Jakelin

'There is a real failure here that we all need to reckon with," said incoming Rep. Veronica Esco-bar, a Democrat elected last month to represent El Paso in Congress. "We need to know how many other Jakelins and Felipes there

The U.S. government's system for detaining migrants crossing the border is severely overtaxed. Authorities would not say how many children U.S. Customs and Border Programmer and Border Programmer and Border Programmer. Customs and Border Protection is now holding. But the country is seeing a sharp rise in families with

children. In the wake of the two deaths, Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen asked the Coast Guard to study CBP's medical programs and announced that all children who enter the agency's custody will be given "more thorough" assessments.

NATION AND WORLD GLANCE

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Migrant teen tent city

staying open into 2019 The Trump administra tion says it will keep a tent city holding more than 2,000 migrant teenagers open through early 2019.

The announcement was made Wednesday about the Tornillo facility, which opened in June in an isolated corner of the Texas desert for up to 360 children.

It later expanded into a guarded detention camp that on Christmas held some 2,300 largely Central American boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 17 in more than 150 canvas

Department Health and Human Services spokesman Mark Weber says Tornillo has stopped receiving new referrals of migrant youth.

Originally scheduled to close Dec. 31, Weber says Tornillo will now shut down after the new year. The government also plans to house more teens at an-other temporary shelter in Florida.

Wall Street notches best day in 10 years in rebound

Stocks rocketed on Wednesday in Wall Street's Stocks best day in 10 years, snap-

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ping a stomach-churning. four-day losing streak and giving some post-Christ-mas cheer to a market that has been battered this December.

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The Dow Jones Industrial Average shot up more than 1,000 points — its bigthan 1,000 points gest single-day point gain

ever — rising nearly 5 percent as investors returned from a one-day Christmas break. The broader S&P 500 index also gained 5 percent, and the technology-heavy Nasdaq rose 5.8 percent.

But even with the rally, the market remains on track for its worst December since 1931, during the depths of the Depression, and could finish 2018 with its steepest losses in a de-

"The real question is: Do we have follow-through for the rest of this week? ' said Sam Stovall, chief investment strategist for CFRA.

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low cost, 50 cents an hour,' she said.

This year, the Board of Supervisors' moves to become more active in attracting more economic development to the county began to take root.

"The conversation start-ed more than a year ago, when the board talked about having an economic incentive policy and adopted that, and then actually did an agreement with Gourmet Garden this year, and then we also contributed to the spaceport study that (Greater Yuma Economic Development Corporation) was doing," she

In July, the board adopt ed an economic incentive package for Gourmet Gar-den worth \$89,000 toward employee training costs, as long as the company meets certain hiring, salary and health insurance benchmarks.

the beginning December, the board approved using \$20,000 out of an economic development contingency fund to help Yuma International Air-port provide a matching grant to get support from a federal revenue guarantee program. This would be used to attract new passenger service to the airport, possibly to Denver or San

Francisco.

Deputy County Administrator Paul Melcher was strator Fath Mercher was tapped by Thorpe in No-vember for a newly cre-ated position, director of economic development and intergovernmental affairs Γhis allows him to focus on these two aspects of his previous job there. The county is now searching for a new deputy administrator.
Since Melcher's job will

also have him monitoring legislation at the state and federal levels for possible impacts to the community, he will have to keep an eye on ozone and air quality

regulations.

The Environmental The Protection Agency named part of Yuma County a "non-attainment area" for ozone pollution after the limit was tightened, to a standard the county probably won't be able to meet due to airborne pollutants being blown in from other areas, rather than locally

produced substances. "One of the things Paul's going to continue to work on is the ozone, because Sen. (Jeff) Flake was leading, trying to roll back the number to 75 that they had moved up to 70, on parts per billion, but he wasn't able to get that over the finish line," Thorpe said. Now that Flake is retir-

ing, and Arizona is get-ting two new U.S. senators in January, Melcher will have to approach Democrat Kyrsten Sinema and/or Republican Martha McSally in search of a new sponsor

for that bill.

Yuma County also sought to expand its role in cross-border issues involving trade and politics by joining groups like the Arizona-Mexico Commission and the Border Counties Alliance.

Locally, maintaining gravel roads continued to be a renewed focus of the

public works department in 2018, after it resumed scheduled maintenance of about 200 miles of unpaved county roads in mid-2017. It was halted due to budget

It was natited due to budget concerns four years earlier. Thorpe said, "That's go-ing to be an ongoing im-provement for people all across the county who felt like they were neglected be-form or palod were naving fore, or nobody was paying attention to their situation, and that was a daily experi-ence to be on gravel roads that didn't really come up to a standard that we would want them to.'

Toward the end of this year, the board looked at possible guidelines for accepting certain unpaved roads not currently part of the county network for a reduced level of maintenance, which will probably come back for a vote in ear-

Recent growth in the demand for more bicycle-friendly conditions led the board to approve its first dedicated bike lanes this year, part of the widening of North Frontage Road between Avenue 10E and Fortuna Road.

Board of Supervisors Chairman Tony Reyes said the vote was a turning point for a county that, in the past, has tended to only build what it had to when it came to road and other projects, to keep taxpayer costs down.

He said, "we all need to

assume here that from that point on we need to do the design with bike lanes, because I think it'll be very difficult to tell people that for other sections we're going to do it the old way here."

The board also voted to resurrect its dormant Parks and Recreation Commission so the county could begin applying for grants to fund new recreational facilities, particularly the Foothills' area first public park.

The first meeting of the new board is scheduled for

Thorpe added, "And the other really innovative thing we're doing, credit Adult Probation for get Adult Probation for get-ting the grant, is the North End Community Connec-tions, the general health and mental health clinic for probationers and their The clinic opened

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county's Adult Probation building, and is operated by local nonprofit Community Health Associates, which applied for the grant with statewide mental health care provider Cenpatico. The goal is to reduce re-

cidivism among probationers by providing accessible health care, and to ulti-mately offer services to the general public. Thorpe said the county's investment of \$565,000 on updated election equip-

ment appeared to be paying off with its debut for the August primary and November general elections, removing the glitches that led to long Election Day waits at voting centers two years ago.
District 3 Supervisor

Darren Simmons represents the largest geographic area of the five board members by far, stretching from the Foothills all the through Dateland the Maricopa County bor-der, as well as the Yuma Proving Ground and Martinez Lake areas to the north.

Aside from the town of

Wellton all of it is unincorporated, leaving the county as the only public service

Simmons said the highlights of the year for him included being able to broker a deal between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the owner of the Castle Dome Museum and Hull Mine, providing temporary access for outdoor enthu-siasts of the Kofa Wildlife Refuge while a bypass road around the Castle Dome property is built.

Getting the parks board back online is another achievement which he hopes will lead to the park many Foothills residents have been clamoring for. He credited streamlined

permitting processes in the county Department of Development Services for helping to fuel new com-mercial development for the Foothills, with commer-cial construction springing up on Fortuna Road and some new housing starts county, as well.

He said the one issue he hasn't been able to make much progress on is the odor complaints being at-tributed to the Far West Water and Sewer Compa-ny, the family-held utility that serves most Foothills

businesses and residences.

"The county's trying to get to where they're kind of in charge of overseeing the system itself. It would still be up to (Arizona Department of Environmental Quality) for the plants, but we're trying to get in where the county can come in and cite for the system," he said.

In November, the city of Yuma received a request to consider annexation from the property owners association for the Mesa Del Sol area just east of the city. Dissatisfaction with Far West's services were cited as the main reason in the association's letter.

This has led the city to look into buying the Far West system, though the outcome of any future annexation vote is far from clear.

Thorpe said county projects slated to start and/or finish in 2019 include the widening of County 8th Street between Avenues C and D, a long-planned flood retention basin within the city of Yuma's Smucker Park

Two major road projects mostly funded by the federal government are on deck for the northern part of the county, with \$14.5 million allotted to remove dips and make other improvements to Martinez Lake Road and another \$9 million to improvements on Red Cloud

Also coming next year is Phase 2 of renovations at 197 S. Main St. in Yuma, which will include a new auditorium and offices for the Board of Supervisors, along with other office

This will include a complete overhaul of the parking lot behind the building, which is owned by the city but will be rebuilt by the county through an intergovernmental agreement.

It's in such bad shape we have to tear it up and redo the whole thing. Because that's really going to be our front door, for board meetings, and we need for that to be decent, where people can walk on it and



