



Casa Grande
Chamber of Commerce

BUSINESS UPDATE

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Business of the Week DECA - Vista Grande High School



Congratulations to Business of the Week, [**DECA - Vista Grande High School**](#), which has 140 members. Arizona DECA is a Career and Technical Student Organization, chartered by the Arizona Department of Education in 1961, that engages and equips students in high schools and colleges throughout the state. DECA strives for the success of students in and out of the school environment, giving them the resources and tools they need to understand how money and business work and, potentially, start businesses of their own.

In addition, DECA includes competitions that offer students the opportunity to use what they have learned, in a real-world-like experience. These competitions help students to interact with new people, understand the realities of a fast-paced business environment and to gain skills in public speaking and problem-solving. DECA can also be a great place to network and

meet many students with similar goals as well as adults such as business owners, executive directors, and other successful community leaders. To learn more about DECA, please contact Ms. Hunter at 520-876-9400 x 4569 and tell her you were referred by the Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce.

Upcoming Chamber Events

December Business After Hours

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 - 5:15pm - 7:00pm



J. Warren Funeral Services

- ~ Make business connections!
- ~ Food, drinks, networking and holiday fun!
- ~ 50/50 and Door Prize Drawings (**tickets are CA\$H only**)

Annual Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest - Wear Your Ugly Sweater

NO CHARGE
for Chamber Member Representatives to attend
(\$20 for Prospective Members)

Casa Grande Lifestyle Show Saturday, January 6, 2024 10am to 2pm



City of
Casa Grande

Municipal Airport

Casa Grande Municipal Airport - 3225 N. Lear Avenue



You are officially invited to be a Business Exhibitor and/or Sponsor

- 50 Indoor and tented exhibit spaces available PLUS outdoor exhibit spaces
- Chamber member businesses receive special exhibitor pricing for this popular show
- The action extends outdoors and includes a **Car & Truck Show, Airplane & Local Artist Displays, Food Vendors, Beer Garden, Kid Zone, and a DJ**
- This event is open to the public at no charge, with attendance anticipated to be 2,500 +

THIS is a SELLING SHOW

Formerly known as the Home, Health and Lifestyle Show, this event is about all things Casa Grande! We encourage any business that contributes to our unique local lifestyle to maximize your marketing potential by participating in this one-day show.

Complete the [Registration Form](#) and return to the Chamber via email at events@casagrandechamber.org by Thursday, December 28th.

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Recent Ribbon Cuttings



We were pleased to join Joseph & Paula, along with their family and friends for a ribbon cutting at the grand opening of [Gerrish Jewelers](#). Located at 1649 E. Florence Boulevard, Ste. 3, Gerrish Jewelers is a third generation jeweler in Casa Grande. They offer a variety of jewelry services, including design repair and appraisals. Learn more, visit their [website](#) or call 520-635-5606.



Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings

[Pinal Hispanic Council](#)

Wednesday, December 6, 3:30pm - 4:30pm
1667 N. Trekell Road, Suite 103

Upcoming Chamber Groups & Meetings

[Government Affairs Committee](#)

Wednesday, December 6, 7:30am - 8:30am - Hybrid Meeting

Health Care Roundtable (Meets every other month)
Wednesday, December 13, 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Business Ambassador Committee
Thursday, December 14, 7:30am - 8:30am

Young Professionals Network
January Date and Time to be Announced

Business - Community - Connections - Opportunity
These are the Chamber's areas of focus...and also a great way to promote our member businesses and Casa Grande Community.

110% Club

We want to recognize and thank these members for their generosity and continued support, in electing to donate 10% or more of their existing dues to the Chamber in addition to their annual membership investments.

- [AMS Insurance](#)
- [Andersen & Sarnowski, P.C.](#)
- [Banner Casa Grande Medical Center](#)
- [Caywood Farm Tours, LLC](#)
- [The Cleaning People](#)
- [Rona Curphy, Individual](#)
- [Dell's Pizza & Sports Bar](#)
- [Farmers Insurance - The Abbott Agency](#)
- [Giddens Tire Pros](#)
- [Global External](#)
- [Helping Associates](#)
- [HomeSmart Premier](#)
- [Ivory Towers Realty](#)
- [J. Warren Funeral Services](#)
- [Legion Protection Agency](#)
- [Lessor's Business Machines](#)
- [Medicare Mike](#)
- [Metal Solutions LLC](#)
- [Mi Amigo Ricardo](#)
- [Pinal County Federal Credit Union](#)
- [Premier Cardiovascular Center Casa Grande](#)
- [Professional Eyecare Associates](#)
- [Solberg Engineering](#)
- [Spartan Truck Manufacturing](#)
- [State Farm Insurance - Lorrie Carter Agent](#)
- [Sun Life Center for Children](#)
- [Sun Life Center for Women](#)
- [Sun Life Family Dentistry](#)
- [Sun Life Family Health Center](#)
- [Sun Life Orthodontics](#)
- [Sun Life Pediatric Dentistry](#)
- [Sun Life Walk-In Care](#)
- [United Methodist Church](#)
- [Western State Bank](#)
- [The Windmill Winery](#)

FREE Business Webinars & Workshops

Mark your calendars for [Arizona Commerce Authority's Small Business Boot Camp](#) FREE virtual webinars and workshops:

Tuesday, November 28 | 9:00am | [Reasons Businesses Fail: How To Set Your Small Business Up For Success!](#) | Business Resources

Tuesday, December 5 | 9:00am | [Operational Excellence and the Tools Businesses Can Utilize](#) | Leading and Managing a Business

Business Briefs

[J. Warren Funeral Services](#) invites you to a free Lunch and Learn, noon, Tuesday, November 28, at Cole and Maud The Gardens Chapel, 525 N. Peart Road. Please RSVP, call 520-423-6353, or scan the [code on this flyer](#).

Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens is hosting a National Family Caregivers Month celebration to recognize and honor family caregivers. The event will be held Wednesday, November 29, 11:00am - 1:00pm, and offers attendees free lunch (at Noon), musical entertainment, caregiver resources, education & information, and door prizes. RSVP is required - call 520-836-2758 or email gingerf@pgcsc.org.

Safety update from local **SERVEPRO**: The holiday season is almost here, and it is a time when home cooking activities are at their peak. Unfortunately, all this cooking leads to a related peak in cooking fires, says Eileen O'Brien of SERVEPRO of Casa Grande. Cooking fires are responsible for nearly half (49%) of all home fires, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) (<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Seasonal-fire-causes/Thanksgiving>). "To help keep your holidays from, literally, going up in smoke, it's critical to know and use safe cooking practices," says O'Brien.

According to the NFPA, Thanksgiving is the leading day of the year for home cooking fires, with more than three times the daily average for such incidents. The NFPA urges home cooks to take some basic safety steps to help prevent cooking fires.

- Keep your cooking area clean and keep anything that can burn (dish towels, oven mitts, packaging) at least three feet away from cooking equipment.
 - Keep a close eye on what's cooking, setting a timer to help you monitor foods with longer cooking times.
 - Keep in mind that the leading contributing factor to cooking fires and to fire deaths overall is unattended cooking, so plan to be at home and in or near the kitchen at all times when cooking.
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CrossRoads Church is hosting a concert featuring David Crowder, Friday, December 15, 7:00pm at CrossRoads Church of Casa Grande 2024 E Florence Blvd. [Learn more and purchase tickets here](#).

Do you have a business update? Send an email brief to president@casagrandechamber.org to be included in the Business Briefs.

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Your Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce is served by a Board of Directors that represents our Business Members and advocates on behalf of our business community.

**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CASA GRANDE CHAMBER OF
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