

COMMUNITY NEWS

YAN professor speaks to full house

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Dr. Maury Crandall of Yavapai-Apache Nation spoke to area residents at the Camp Verde Library in front of 100 people on July 17. Dr. Crandall, professor at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire is a doctoral graduate (Ph.D.) of the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque.

He is making a brief visit to his homeland, Yavapai-Apache Nation, as well seeing his mother, Jane Russell-Winiecki.

Dr. Crandall spoke about Mike Burns and Carlos Montezuma, both Yavapai who had connections to the Yavapai in Verde Valley and Ft. McDowell and

the central Arizona region in the late 1880s at the turn of the century.

Both of these individuals Burns and Montezuma had extreme social upheaval in their lives as children. Montezuma was fortunate to join the academic world attending the prestigious universities in the Midwest to become a medical doctor.

Mike Burns went on to publish his memoirs 'Only One living to tell' about his life and the tragedy he witnessed while growing up in the Ft. McDowell area.

Dr. Crandall is still in the process of refining all of the information that he shared at the evening lecture and



Katherine Marquez of Clarkdale visits with Dr. Crandall at the Camp Verde Libray lecture

expects to publish the complete documentation about his studies on Burns and Montezuma in the near future.

The Sharlot Hall Museum in Prescott has many of the manuscripts of Burns. Dr. Corbusier, U.S.

Cavalry physician who was friendly with the Yavapai and Apache in Camp Verde at the time also documented his

encounters with Burns and Montezuma. Dr. Corbusier was assigned to the Camp Date Creek camp with the Yavapai.

Viva la Yavapai-Apache Nation!



Seniors enjoy a fiesta lunch today..a Taco salad with water melon for dessert



Amanda Honwyteva, Mary Honwyteva and Alexia Eswonia helping out at Mexican luncheon.



Linda Hartnett of Tunlii does a Karoekke song

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YAN Senior program had a Mexican July 26, at the Tunlii Community Center.

Seniors were greeted by Mexican cumbia music on the stereo.

The colorful wall decorations with a Mexican theme provided for good background for photos.

This event attended by 25 seniors, was organized by the Senior Program to promote social interaction.

The taco salad lunch was served with some healthy fruit punch and a slice of watermelon for

dessert.

To top of the event, a karaoke session was led by councilwoman Amanda Honwyteva who volunteered to serve the food as well.

Linda Hartnett of Tunlii was brave to stand in front of the group to sing a song. Ms. Hartnett was followed by Ms. Honwyteva who sang a couple of classic songs accompanied by the sound tracks from the youtube.com. library.

Don Decker sang a rap song by John Denver 'Thank God I'm a country boy'

YAN News photos.

Summer Youth Summary:

During the time I spent here with the Environmental Department I learned so many interesting and different things. Things such as what kind of chemicals can be found in the air that can cause harm, different type of invasive plants, how to test the water for E-coli and what to do with hazardous waste. Though most of the time I spent here we worked out in the field doing as much as we could to let the community aware of all the things they could do to help the environment, we also did a huge amount inside the office as well. Such as making 400 copies of an environmental code to help the community better understand how illegal dumping is ruining the rivers or making presentation on the correct way to cut a cottonwood tree. The environmental Department also hosted a River-Day Cleanup event which I was very happy to help with. I

liked working with people who not only did the right thing but were also always finding different ways to help the community. I am very happy I got to work with Vivian and Laura, they are the most welcoming and hardworking people I've ever had the pleasure of working with. I enjoyed everything we've done this month from doing water sampling to passing out flyers. I very much would like to work here again someday, perhaps in the future, because this was an amazing job which not only did I like, but loved. I think this would be very good job for anyone, whether they like being outside or in an office because you get both! This



department helps the way you look at certain things that may not seem like much but can 100% help the community.

- Liliana Fernando

During the 15 days I have worked here I learned a lot about the environment around us. I also learned about stuff I didn't know like air quality and the landscape. I never knew that the stinky trees that are around my house and at the river have other names like "The tree of heaven" or "Paradise tree". I also learned about the air and that the air has different levels and different colors representing the levels (Purple, Orange, Blue) another thing I learned about was how to read monitors for the water (D.O, Conductivity) This department also taught me how to identify different trees/bushes such as Salt Cedar, Paradise tree (stinky tree), Russian Olive and Arundo. I also read a children's book called "Why Is Coco Orange?" and it turns out he is

orange because the air quality was orange and he changes colors based on how the air quality is going to be. I also did some office work like helping Vivian send emails or printing out papers. I also learned how this department doesn't usually focus on one main task because things tend to change a lot. I also like how you're not cramped up in an office all day staring at a computer screen. Working here at the environmental department has changed how I think about the environment and I have learned a lot working here. It was a short time working here but I'm glad I worked here, and now I won't litter any more ;) Working here was really fun (Except hole punching) Hopefully I can work here next year.

- Kahlil

Throughout this month that I have worked with the Environmental Protection Department and have learned various things such as the dangers of Household Hazardous Waste and more information on invasive species. Last year was more focused on things such as climate change and air pollution while this year was more focused on pesticides/household hazardous waste and the growing problem of invasive species across our lands. Both years however, had a focus on water quality and

we did testing across our waters to check the quality. That was a lot of fun to do with Vivian and Laura. Although this year did focus on some information and office work, we mostly found ourselves outside of the office doing other important tasks. This was a nice change of pace from the previous year but did make my time with the EPD feel a lot shorter than the year before. I enjoyed everything we did together (even when we broke down again in Phoenix) even if it did feel shorter than before.

- Derek Newton

