

# RECORD TIMES

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Voted as the Best Large Group Costume - the Downtown File Counter as the "Commercial Mascots"

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### DT File Counter's costume had commercial appeal

Left to right standing: Chris O'Neill (Lucky the Leprechaun), Clarissa Cruz (Miss Count Chocula), Jennifer Cardenas (Morton Salt Girl), Ashley Hatch (Sun Drop Soda Girl), Angela Romero (Flo with Progressive), Michael Fisher (Coca Cola Santa), Anna Valenzuela (Energizer Bunny), Aida Plascencia (Rosarita Beans), and Jenela Fierro (Pillsbury Dough Girl). Kneeling - Rebecca Merino (Yellow M&M), Lia Farr (Skittles), Kelly Marquez (Rose the Riveter), and Andy Rodriguez (Jake from State Farm).

**237** votes in the Employee Contest and **208** votes in the Paws-tume Contest. **Fifty-seven** employees participated in the Costume Contest and **11** pets were submitted for the Paws-tume Contest. The record amount of participants for the Employee Costume Contest was 101 in 2007. The record amount of participants for the Paws-tume Contest was 29 in 2013.

[See pages 2 - 4](#) to view all of the Office's Costume Contest winners and participants in 2021.

## The 2021 Best Dressed for Costume Success

Clerk employees voted this month in the two annual Office Fall season contests to determine the best costumes of 2021

The Fall Season not only brings cool weather, but also some cool costumes in the Clerk's Office for its **Annual Fall Costume Contests**. Each year, the Office holds two costume contests during the Halloween season: **1) the Employee Costume Contest** (for employees to dress up in costume) and **2) the Paws-tume Contest** (for employees to dress up their pets in costume). The costumes are organized in different categories and then displayed in a survey for staff to vote on their favorites.

This year **445** votes were cast by employees in the two contests. There were

### The Costumes Voted As Best Overall

- 1ST - Russell from "Up"
- 2nd - Freddy Krueger
- 3rd - Commercial Mascots
- 4th - Northeast Zoo
- 5th - Zero from Nightmare
- 6th - Durango Coven
- 7th - Sam - Trick 'r Treat
- 8th tie - Where's Waldo / Giant Panda (NE Zoo)
- 9th - Brawny Man
- 10th tie - Pillsbury Dough Girl, Progressive Flo, Pink Lady

### Congratulations

**Danielle Garcia** was voted as having the Best Overall Costume for 2021 by Clerk employees!



# FALL AWARDS

*The costumes voted as best for 2021*

## BEST MEDIUM-SIZED GROUP



### The Northeast Zoo

Tawney Bland (Giant Panda), James Carroccio (Wolf), Alexandra Mittelstaedt-Chavez (Tiger and cubs), Vanessa D Garcia (Zebra), Shantel Tavares (Bear), Kelly Slesseman (Leopard), and Naomi Marruffo (Monkey)



## BEST SMALL-SIZED GROUP



### The Durango Coven

Graciela Cabrera, Andrea Rodriguez, Carmen Camacho, and Alex Provencio



## BEST INDIVIDUAL

## BEST MOVIE CHARACTER

## BEST HALLOWEEN MOVIE CHARACTER

## BEST FICTIONAL CHARACTER



### Freddy Krueger

Alicia Buscaglia



### Brawny Man

Fernando Garza



### Skeleton

Laura Martinez



### Russell from "Up"

Danielle Garcia

### COSTUMES VOTED ON AS HAVING THE BEST POSE

- |                                |                 |                           |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 1st - Karate Girl              | 3rd - Zero      | 5th - Durango Coven       |
| 2nd - In A League of Their Own | 4th - Pink Lady | 6th - Guy from "Free Guy" |

*More photos on next page*

# MORE PHOTOS

## Additional Costume Participants



5th Best  
Overall

3rd Best  
Pose

Shannon Stulz

**Zero from "The Nightmare Before Christmas"**



4th Best  
Pose

Tracy McMillian

**Pink Lady from "Grease"**



Mark Savin

**Guy from "Free Guy"**



Monique Iniguez

**Where's Waldo**



1st Place  
Pose

Ana Meza

**Karate Girl**



Mona Oliva

**Sam from "Trick 'r Treat"**



2nd Best  
Pose

**In A League Of Their Own**

Jackie Ortiz, Aurora Avina, Savanna Sharp, Michelle Wolf, and Vonda Culp



**The Stranger Things**

From left to right - Megan Johnston, Fawn Fowler, Mercedes Smith, Shannon LaSpaluto, Kristin Melzer, Jessica Folts, Angela Orrala, Britt Silvernail, Gozal Atabaeva-Coy, Terri Molchan, Renee Lundgren and Nikki Swiss



**The Skeleton Crew**

Idela Hamilton, Maria Adame, Yolanda Rhoads, Hector Castaneda, Cecilia Alfaro-Arndt, and Sulma Magana

# Paws-Tume Awards

## Employee's pets in costume

### BEST MOVIE/TV CHARACTER

1st Place  
Overall



**Sarge as Edward Scissorhands**  
from "Edward Scissorhands"  
owned by Nikki Swiss

### BEST IMPRESSION OF A PERSON

2nd Place  
Overall



**Bailey as a Scuba Diver**  
owned by Monica Skaff

### BEST FICTIONAL CHARACTER

3rd Place  
Overall



**Blitz as Scary Skeleton**  
owned by Nikki Swiss

### BEST IMPRESSION OF ANOTHER CREATURE



**Gizmo as a Little Scorpion**  
owned by Terri Molchan



**Rallo as James Bond**  
owned by Tiarra EarlsHaas



**Taz as a Tiger**  
owned by Terri Molchan



4th Place  
Overall

**Gizmo as Robin**  
owned by Ron Lopez



**Luna as Fiesta-Goer**  
owned by Andrea Rodriguez



**Baby as Christmas Elf**  
owned by Taylor Sachse



**Ranger as Inmate**  
owned by Terri Molchan



**Twitchy as Santa Paws**  
owned by Alexandra Mittelstaedt-Chavez

# Thanksgiving Tributes

Who are you thankful for?

"I'm thankful for the **entire Courtroom Services (CRS) Team!** I have had the privilege this year of expanding my interactions with the CRS employees at all facilities and case types, and I am continually amazed at your commitment to excellence and dedication to your jobs. You are doing a great service to our customers and the community, and I'm honored to be part of your team. Thank you! A special thanks to our **HR team!** You have provided guidance to the Office and to the CRS Team, and managed many recruitments, through an unprecedented time period the last couple of years. I appreciate each member of the HR team. Thanks to the CRS Managers **Linda Berger, April Cannon and Sheri Jaffe!** You are reliable, hardworking, empathetic and innovative leaders. I appreciate what you each contribute to the CRS Team." - **Leslie Wilkins**

"I (and I know I speak for all the DT Non-Criminal Supervisors) am thankful for the **DT Non-Criminal Leads, Lisa Smith, Mariacella Diaz, Sheryl Brown and Christina Mai,** led by their fearless leader, **Sig Perez.** These ladies provide initial training to all new courtroom clerks, provide cross-training, develop and present training classes (often with only a couple days' notice,) and are available as support and mentors to all the courtroom clerks. What a fantastic group! Also, I am thankful for the rewarding career I have with the Clerk's Office made enjoyable by all the great people I have worked with which currently includes Deputy Director **Valerie Clark,** Administrator **Leslie Wilkins,** Manager **April Cannon,** my co-supervisors **Tracy McMillian, Shannon Stulz, April Covarrubio and Sig Perez,** and all the **DT FC Courtroom Clerks.** What an amazing team I have the privilege to work with!" - **Susan Morris**



"I am thankful for all of the DT criminal courtroom clerks and the supervisory team - **Andrew Schmidt, Carrie Montoya, Monica Mogel, Sarah Beery and Veronica Morales.** Your hard work does not go unnoticed and I would like to express my gratitude to each and every one of you!" - **Donna Courtemanche**



"I am thankful for the **Courtroom Services Training Leads!** I am thankful for the amazing leads of the Clerk's Office as I have been lucky enough to experience both at the Downtown location as well as at Northeast! Training has not always been easy, but I have continued to feel supported throughout the training experience!" - **Taylor Sachse**

"I am thankful for **Susan Morris.** Her kind soul, understated mastery of the manual, gentle wisdom and constant encouragement meant more than she knows. In the movie, *E.T.*, the federal agent tells Elliott, "I'm glad he met you first." That's my forever gratitude toward Susan, and yes, as some JAs would tell her, "I'm definitely the extra-terrestrial around here." - **Tristan Aird**

"Health issues and personal challenges abound the support and kind tutoring from the Supervisory team, Training and Onboarding team, and fellow clerks have made this year unlike the last in both abundance of understanding and expertise. **April Covarrubio,** thank you for your patience and can-do attitude towards all the changes made this year. **Sheryl Brown and Christina Mai,** thank you for your willingness to assist and listening ear for when things get a bit too convoluted in the courtroom. **Sherri Ortega, Stephanie Motzer, and Toni DeRaddo,** thank you for your senior guidance on some complex issues and encouragement during my first year as a clerk. A final thank you to all of the **Clerk of Court staff** who I've gotten to know over the past year. I wish you all the best this holiday season." - **Elizabeth Wolf**

# Thanksgiving Tributes

## Who are you thankful for?

"I'm extremely thankful for the entire **Juvenile Team – Management, Courtroom Clerks, and Ops**. The teamwork displayed on a daily basis is off the charts. This is an amazing group of people. I'm very lucky to work with them!" - **Connie Pitts**

"I am thankful to my CRS Leadership (**Linda Berger, Leslie Wilkins** and **Valerie Clark**). This year has been a difficult year with personal loss and illness due to the pandemic. Although these issues were not work-related, these ladies have shown constant support. It's a comfort to work for an organization that values its employees and takes time to ensure they feel supported in times of struggle. Thank you!" - **Tracy Henninger**



"As this is my last Thanksgiving here at the Office, I want to thank everyone I have worked with during my time here. I especially want to thank **Angie Smith** for all her guidance along the way, **Jeanette Farrison** for guiding me with JSL and especially with the new RFR system, and **Oni Boston** who always had a kind word and good advice when I was struggling. I can't promise I will think of you all often during my retirement, but I know you will all be in my heart... and thank you **Len Keso** for all you do." - **Cyndie Rego**

"There were continuing challenges and difficult times this past year and the **CRS Criminal Team** pulled together to get through it. They continue to demonstrate flexibility and understanding and I'm grateful for each of them and the job they do every day." - **Jenny Black**

"I want to share my appreciation for the **Courtroom Service staff** as a whole. First, my direct reports at Northeast - the **Northeast Courtroom Clerks, Lead and Specialist** have worked during staffing shortages, virtually this whole year, covering all NE Courts tirelessly to meet the needs of all NE judicial divisions while adapting to major changes in technology and procedures. Second, and just as important, **Courtroom Services staff at all other facilities** have helped NE with calendar coverage and work processing on virtually a WEEKLY BASIS to give much needed time to the Northeast staff to catch up or take a day out of the office. Thank you to all Courtroom Services staff for a great year. You have moved mountains at Northeast and it is very much appreciated." - **Wendy Thompson**

"I'm thankful for the amazing **Courtroom Services Management team, Linda Berger, April Cannon** and **Leslie Wilkins**. The support and dedication they demonstrate on a daily basis is awe-inspiring. Together, they truly are a tremendous team. Words cannot express how much they are appreciated. Thank you for all you do for Courtroom Services and my training team." - **Sig Perez**



"I would like to thank the **DTI Operations team**. The DTI Operations team is frequently called upon early mornings, after hours, and on weekends to assist with application upgrades, server migrations, and troubleshooting a wide variety of issues. In short, they help keep our applications and systems up and running at peak performance. The DTI Operations team also provides exceptional service to our customers on a regular basis. We appreciate everything you do for the Office. Thank you!" - **Scott Hensel**

"I am thankful for the **entire team at Northeast. Anita, Vanessa, Marcella, Pierretha, James, Shan, Sarah, Lazaar, Camille, Duane, Alex, Tawney, Leslie, Amber, Jen, Sandy, Kelly** and **Sheri**, it is my pleasure to be a part of the team and to work with you all. When everyone works together, there is no challenge we can't handle. I am thankful for all the smiles and laughter we have shared throughout this roller coaster of a year and look forward to the next. Thank you all, you are appreciated." - **Naomi Maruffo**

"I am thankful for all in the **CFO team** and all in the **Accounting Team**. The dedication to excellence is amazing! Every day I feel grateful that I am able to work with my team and partners. I feel so fortunate to be a part of the Clerk's Office with this amazing group." - **Anna Castaneda**

# Thanksgiving Tributes

## Who are you thankful for?



"I would like to thank the entire **Public Records Team (Maria Adame, Mayra Antelo, Hector Castaneda, Debra Cooper, Idella Hamilton, Susan Loe, Sulma Magana, Clara Nava, Yolanda Rhoads, Stella Rodriguez, Cecilia Alfaro-Arndt)** for their extreme dedication towards providing the absolute best in customer service. I am so very thankful for the outstanding effort they put forth each and every day!" - **Ken Shipley**

"I would to share that I am thankful for **Michele Nelson** – whom we tragically just lost. Michele was so full of beauty and joy and found the positive in everything. I had the pleasure of training her when she first started with our office. I looked forward to seeing her every day and she is greatly missed." - **Tawny Sherwin**

"Thank you to the **entire staff of the Southeast Office** for welcoming me into your court! Over these past six months, I have not felt judged, and never felt as welcomed, as appreciated, or as excited to work as I have in this position! You are all wonderful!" - **Jordan Paul**

"I am thankful for the entire **DT Non-Criminal CRS team**, they are a fantastic group of people to work for and with. I broke my ankle in August and was sidelined for quite some time; additionally there were a couple supervisors that suffered personal losses during that time and were out briefly as well. Our administrator, **Leslie Wilkins** and co-manager, **Linda Berger**, filled in and assisted with my responsibilities and our supervisory team **Susan Morris, Tracy McMillian, Shannon Stulz, April Covarrubio** and **Sig Perez** worked together to cover for each other while two were out and ensured the courtroom clerks still had the assistance/support needed. All the DT non-criminal courtroom clerks and Leads never missed a beat; everyone worked together to ensure the bench, litigants and other stakeholders continued to receive the quality service they are accustomed to. I'm thankful for them being the personification of teamwork!" - **April Cannon**

"I would like to give thanks for **Terri Hamm** in Human Resources. She exudes positivity! She brings joy and comfort during transitions; which can often be very daunting and intimidating. She is knowledgeable, understanding, and great at validating an employee's worth." - **Megan Johnston**

"Financial Operations Manager **Oni Boston** is extremely supportive of individual career success and opportunity, sometimes to the detriment of her own staffing. Her attitude and extensive skill sets are invaluable. Thank you, Oni!" - **Mark Savin**

"I am thankful for a great **Support Services staff**, for **Rebecca Shanks** for processing (most) our film requests, and the **Marriage License & Passport staff** for their assistance with correspondence requests. It has been a quite a year, but despite the obstacles, they continue to push on and provide excellent service. I couldn't have asked for a better group to work with. Thank you Ladies for all your hard work." - **Angelique Mendez**

"I am thankful for the **CR Leads**: A massive thank you to each one of you! **CR Management Team**: Thank you for all the support that you have provided! **CR Courtroom Clerks**: Thank you for all the hard work you put in daily! **Carla Chestang**: Thank you for being the go-to for so many in our department! **Veronica Morales**: Thank you for all the times you helped me, motivated me and covered for me! Thank you to so many that have shown me so much support this year, I am truly grateful!" - **Carrie Montoya**

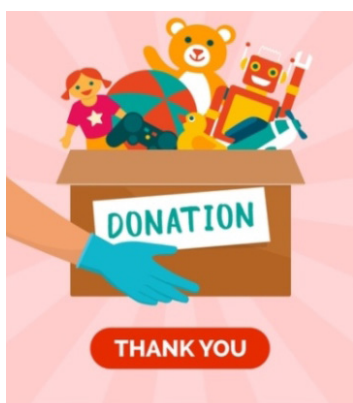


Pictured to the left - "The **Public Records team** is simply thankful for each other. We wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!"

Standing: (left to right: Debra Cooper, Stella Rodriguez, Idella Hamilton, Susan Loe, Sulma Magana, Clara Nava, Cecilia Alfaro-Arndt, Yolanda Rhoads, Mayra Antelo, Maria Adame)  
Kneeling: (left to right: Ken Shipley, Hector Castaneda)

# CLERK CONNECTION

## A Holiday Drive to make it a Merry-copa and bright season



Holiday Drive donation boxes have been decked once again in the Office Halls allowing employees to make it a *fa-la-la-la-labulous* holiday season for those in need in the community. The **Employee Recognition and Engagement Work Group** is conducting the **Office's Annual Holiday Drive** this year allowing employees who want to engage in the effort the opportunity to provide socks/toiletries for the homeless and new toys for children in the community. **Donation boxes are currently set up in Break Rooms** through Dec. 8 at each office location for those who are interested in participating in these activities.

The following are summaries of each Holiday Drive activity:

**Socks Drive** - For this activity, employees may donate new pairs of socks and/or toiletry items (soap, shampoo, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, lotion, tissues, etc.) that will be distributed through the Shoebox Program to the homeless in the area.

**Toys for Tots** - For this activity, employees may donate new, unwrapped toys, which will be distributed through the Toys for Tots Program to children in the community in need. The results of the Holiday Drive will be posted in the December *Record Times*.

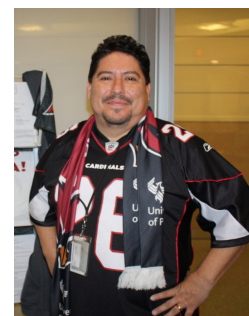


## Don't punt on wearing your football attire on these days

The following are the scheduled **Arizona Cardinals Casual Days**. You may wear your Cardinals' Apparel on these days (unless you are appearing in court).

- Monday, December 13 (vs. LA Rams)
- Thursday, December 23 (vs Indianapolis)
- Friday, January 7 (vs Seattle)

Also, on **Friday, Feb. 11**, the Office will have a special "**Football Friday Casual Day**" (in recognition of the Super Bowl that Sunday) in which employees may wear any NFL jersey.



**All in a day's work** - Last fiscal year, the Clerk of the Court's Office processed a daily average of **\$563,414** in monies (\$43,030 more than the previous year) and averaged **7,791** transactions (341 less than the previous year) daily through the Cash Management system.







# CLERK CONNECTION

## How to learn more about the new DTI Support Center website

The Department of Technology and Information (DTI) is hosting two webinars to support the launch of its new DTI Support Center website. The new DTI Support Center website will provide an easy to use portal for reporting issues, requesting new items, and a robust knowledge base to provide immediate self-service to support articles for employee's particular issues.

To support the launch, DTI will be hosting two webinars during the week of Nov. 29. The live presentations will demonstrate the different features of the DTI Support Center. Each 30-minute virtual presentation will provide an opportunity for employees to ask questions once the demo is complete. To participate: Join using the links below at the session start time.

### **Tuesday, November 30 at 10 a.m.**

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

+1 480-702-3496,,546503391# United States,  
Phoenix

Phone Conference ID: 546 503 391#

### **Thursday, December 2 at 2 p.m.**

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

+1 480-702-3496,,215374216# United States,  
Phoenix

Phone Conference ID: 215 374 216#

For questions and/or additional information you may contact [James Towner](#) or [Brad Ottley](#) via email.

## The conversion of Microfilm to Digital Project

*by Mike Nimtz, Deputy Director*



In an effort to further ensure our justice partners, legal community, and public have timely access to court records, the Clerk's Office is embarking on a project to digitally convert select portions of our vast film archive. Although COSC has advanced towards a primarily electronic court record, we still maintain a staggering amount of older Adult case type records on film. Within the Customer Service Center, COSC maintains over **24,000 rolls of film**, containing images for an estimated **30 - 50 million documents!**

Annually, the Office receives approximately 12,000 records requests that necessitate pulling film rolls. By the end of 2021, COSC will have completed a procurement process through which a film conversion vendor will have been selected to commence work in early 2022. This digital conversion project will prioritize those document types most commonly requested, which are Marriage Licenses (33% of film requests) and select Criminal Case years (31% of film requests). Through this undertaking the Office will be able to significantly improve the turnaround time for document seeking customers.

# Employee Spotlight

## This Month: **Roselle Smith**



**Title:** Deputy Courtroom Clerk

**Years with Office:** 31 years

**Some Things You Enjoy About Your Job and Working Here:** Over the years, I have enjoyed getting to know the different judicial officers I have worked with and the attorneys.

**What Are Some Of Your Responsibilities:** Attend all court proceedings, transcribe notes into minute entry format, administer the oath, maintain exhibits, and process court documents.

**Your First Job:** At the age of 16, I worked for Sears Logistic Services in the Personnel Department.

**Hometown:** Phoenix, Arizona

**A Hobby/ Favorite Activity:** I love collecting different eye shadow palettes and applying make-up on people.

**A Memorable Thing That You Have Done:** When I was younger and in my church choir, we recorded two live albums and performed with the Phoenix Symphony Orchestra.

**Best Vacation Spot:** Hawaii // **Where Would You Like To Travel To:** New York

**Favorite Meal:** Mexican food // **Favorite Place to Eat Out:** Comedor Guadalajara

**Someone You Would Like to Meet:** Michelle Obama

**Have You Met Anyone Famous:** I met Rosa Parks in person when she visited my church.

**Favorite TV Show When Growing Up:** *Cosby Show* // **Favorite TV Show or Movie:** *Grey's Anatomy*

**Something You Are Proud Of:** Being diagnosed with breast cancer in 2015, having a positive attitude, and beating it.

**What Would You Like To Be For A Day:** A doctor

**Something On Your Bucket List:** Once I retire, I would like to take a cruise for a month.

**What Advice Do You Have For A New Clerk Employee:** Have a lot of patience while being trained as a courtroom clerk.

**A Favorite Quote:** "Whoever is happy will make others happy too." - Anne Frank

**What Do You Like To Do In Your Spare Time:** Spend time with my daughters.

**An Ability You Wish You Had:** To read a person's mind.

**Do You Have A Favorite Animal:** I love my two grand dogs.

**Who Would You Like To See In Concert:** Bruno Mars

**A Pet Peeve:** People who are rude

**An Influential Person(s) In Your Life:** My mother was the most influential person in my life because she taught me at a young age the importance of preparing for my future financially.

**Any Hidden Talents:** I can sing pretty well.

**What Is Your Dream Car:** Mercedes-Benz S-Class

**Best Advice Someone Has Given You:** Smile when you see a person because you may brighten their day.



# WE GOT SPIRIT!

Photos from the recent Office "Plaid Spirit Day"



Shannon LaSpaluto



Chuck Gobble and Desiree Macias



Nancy Johnson and Keleigh Cabral



April Covarrubio, Shannon Stulz, Lisa Smith, and Tracy McMillian



Iris Molina, Melynda Cabrera and Elizabeth Flores



Sara Dickinson, Kimmi DeSanna, Tracy Henninger and Jessica Johnson



Stephanie Motzer and Keleigh Cabral



Vanessa Garcia, Pierretha Kavanagh, Camille Atkins



Monique Perez, Gloria Oviedo, Carmen Camacho, Andrea Rodriguez, Flor Rivas, and Janneth Damian

# NOVEMBER NOTES

## The cost of a classic Thanksgiving meal is up in 2021



According to the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF), the cost of the traditional Thanksgiving feast for 10 is **\$53.41**, which is a \$6.41 increase in price from last year or a 14 percent increase.

The AFBF survey shopping list includes turkey, bread stuffing, sweet potatoes, rolls with butter, peas, cranberries, a relish tray of carrots and celery, pumpkin pie with whipped cream, and beverages of coffee and milk, all in quantities sufficient to serve a family of 10 with leftovers.

The highest cost item was the 16-pound turkey, which came in at \$23.99 – that is roughly \$1.50 per pound and 24% up from last year. Last year, the retail turkey prices were the lowest since 2010. Other item costs that showed increase this year were: 1-dozen dinner rolls - \$3.05 (up 15%); pumpkin pie mix - \$3.64 (up 7%); one gallon of milk - \$3.30 (up 7%); 1-pound veggie tray - 82 cents (up 12%); 12-ounce bag of cranberries - \$2.98 (up 11%); and 3-pounds of sweet potatoes - \$3.56 (up 4%).

**The Survey showed that the average cost of the Thanksgiving meal in the state of Arizona this year is \$49.62.**

Volunteers and surveys from all 50 states gathered this information looking for the best possible prices without taking advantage of any special promotional coupons. The AFBF's Annual Thanksgiving dinner survey was first conducted in 1986.

Annual average cost of a Thanksgiving meal	
2013	- \$49.04
2014	- \$49.41
2015	- \$50.11
2016	- \$49.87
2017	- \$49.12
2018	- \$48.90
2019	- \$48.91
2020	- \$46.90
2021	- \$53.31

## Thanksgiving by the numbers



**4,500 -**

The average calories consumed per person, at Thanksgiving dinner



**1920 -**

The year of the first Thanksgiving NFL game



**46 million -**

The approximate amount of turkeys that are prepared for Thanksgiving in America each year



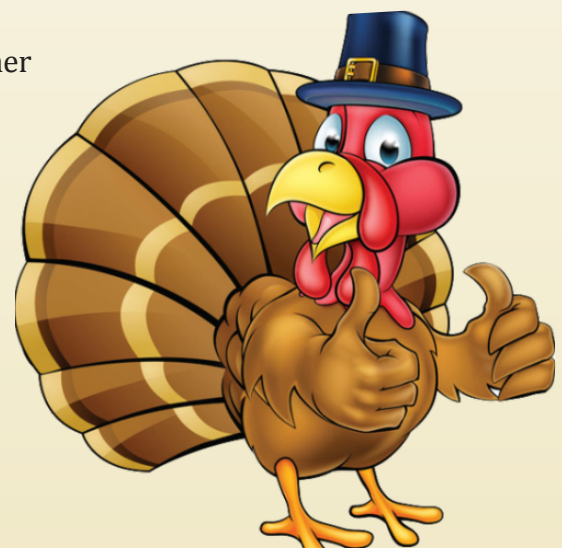
**50 million -**

The amount of pumpkin pies consumed every Thanksgiving



**86 pounds -**

The heaviest turkey on record



# The Inside Track

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### OFFICE ANNIVERSARIES

The following Clerk employees celebrate a milestone anniversary with the Office in November:

**25 YEARS** – **Stella Rodriguez**

**20 YEARS** – **Michael Lane, Kathryn Kruse, and Scott Hensel**

**15 YEARS** - **Jacqueline Francisco**

**5 YEARS** - **Graciela Cabrera**

### NEW EMPLOYEES

The Clerk of the Superior Court's Office welcomes the following new employees:

- **Accountant - Desiree Ochoa-Lopez**
- **Courtroom Clerk - Jessica Gamez and Brandy Wilkins**
- **Court Operations - Adriana McLellan**
- **Criminal Financial Obligations - Angie Santos**
- **Northwest Operations - Jaynie Harding**
- **SEA File Counter - Mercedes Smith**
- **SEA Marriage Licenses and Passports - James Wood**
- **Training and Development Supervisor - Zane Varnum**

### REWARDS

**Susan Morris** and **Betty Lopez-Mori** were recent winners in the County's Month Clean Air Contest. Their names were randomly selected in a drawing and they each received a special prize for their alternative transportation efforts. More information about the **Alternative Transportation Program** and the **Clean Air Contest and Events** is available on their [website](#).

### EMPLOYEE MOVES

- Courtroom Clerk **Britt Hoffman** transferred from Juvenile Southeast to Durango Juvenile.

### FINE JOB AWARD HONOREES



The following Clerk of the Court employee's names were recently provided to the newsletter as receiving the "Fine Job" Award. Congratulations to each of them for this special employee recognition honor.

**Desiree Macias, Aimee Harrenstein, Denise Hill, Mayra Antelo, Vanessa Martinez, Mitzi Moore, Lisa Nevenhoven, Kat Faso, and Jackie Ortiz**

# Special Features



## Where in the world has the Record Times been?



### Cruise with the news

Each month, employees are invited to submit photos of themselves with the newsletter at different destinations. Last time, the newsletter was seen with an employee who was under a sign on a wooden bridge. This month, the newsletter appears with an employee under a sign on a wooden walkway.

Pictured in this photo to the left is Criminal Financial Obligations' **Cyndie Rego**, who is retiring next month after 17 years of service to the Clerk of the Court's Office. This is a picture of her in Puerta Maya Cozumel, Mexico while she was on a cruise a while back. In the background is her cruise ship. This is the newsletter's sixth appearance in a destination within Mexico.

**You may submit a photo** with the *Record Times* at any time. To submit a photo: **1)** Print the newsletter front page; **2)** Take a photo(s) with the page during your outing (in the community, state, or out-of-state); **3)** Email the photo to Len Keso with your name, department, and a photo description, along with any other interesting details of the photo/vacation. Anyone who submits a photo will receive a Maricopa County lapel pin (pictured here).



## Where in the world has the Record Times' Flat Stamp-Ley been?



### Flat Stamp-Ley is Mill-ing around

In January, the *Record Times* introduced a new photo feature called **Flat Stamp-Ley (FS)**. FS is a character print-out for employees to either send to a family member/friend to take a photo of it somewhere interesting, or for the employee to take a photo of it somewhere interesting. Here's the details of this month's Flat Stamp-Ley appearance:

**Photo Submitted By:** Len Keso

**Where is FS:** West Virginia

**Description:** The photo of FS is at the Glade Creek Grist Mill in the Babcock State Park, WV. It is one of the most photographed sites in the U.S.

To submit a photo of Flat Stamp-Ley:

- 1) Print it ([available here](#));
- 2) Then either **a)** send FS to a family member/friend to take a photo of it somewhere in the world; or **b)** take a photo yourself of FS somewhere interesting;
- 3) Send the photo to Len Keso with your name, department, who FS is with, where FS is located, and any other interesting note about the photo.

# THANK YOU!

This Thanksgiving season, we want to express our sincere gratitude to all Clerk of the Court staff for your persistence, positivity, professionalism, and performance in 2021. We greatly appreciate you and wish you an enjoyable, safe, and very happy Thanksgiving holiday.

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