



Sistas of AZ What's Goin' On?

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HEALTHY CHOICES

South Mountain High School



The Healthy Choices Fair was an opportunity to get the facts out to young people about making healthy choices with their bodies and their lives. There was a great response from the students and staff at South Mountain as they visited the booths, and listened to poetry and music.



Sonny Long, an event contributor said this about the Healthy Choices fair, "The event last month was real positive for the youth to educate them on the importance of their decision making. I felt it was just step one in the effort to educate today's youth. I really enjoyed myself and appreciated the love and respect I received"! A Special thanks goes to the contributors from Power 92.3 to Planned Parenthood, the Fair Worthy Institute, Alexis Rhone, Divine Essence, UTI, APS, Sonny Long Enterprises, Brothas of AZ and the volunteers.

HAPPY HOUR!!

Sistas first Happy Hour of the year, while lacking in attendance, proved a great time with stories, laughs, great food and cocktails. All, getting the weekend off to a great start. Here are two of the great stories we heard.



Alexus Rhone Kicked out of Mexico!!

While teaching a writing workshop in Mexico Alexis ran

Memorable moment...

Our sista, Amber Moss is taking a trip to West Africa to visit her sister whose serving in the Peace Corps there. What was one friends suggestion she as to how she could fund the trip?... Ask the Ku Klux Klan?? Funny? Maybe, but more because they probably *would* send her.

into some ...complications. She told us the story about the family that hosted her stay in Mexico. It was going to be a good experience that could give her time to write as well. However, They wouldn't let her out of their sight and filled all of her time but the classes went well so she shrugged it off as the family, particularly the father of the house, as being overly hospitable. She was seen as a hot commodity there among the students in her workshops and the family that she was staying with. So when a student asked if she could meet with Alexis outside of class during free time, the father of her host family, started negotiating to charge the student for Alexis' time.

So when Alexis got wind of what was going on she demanded that he not charge her. He was furious at this and started demanding that she was, in a sense, his property at the time and he was in-charge of her services and that they wouldn't be free. Of course, Alexis didn't take that and the man became more infuriated and flipped out. This was quickly turning into a hostile situation so Alexis went straight to the internet and located the closest resort to change her living arrangements. It was a crazy ride but she was glad to be home.

Good News

Calendar of Events

May Meeting

5/30

Birthdays

Mary Barksdale

5/14

Deidra Gossett

5/25



*I'm sorry if I've missed anyone... please email birthdays and good news to
Erin. Jrdan@coxmedia.com*

Congratulations are in order in May to Ginger Spencer and Deidra Gossett!!!

Deidra Gossett graduated from ASU College of Human Services with a Bachelors Degree in Communication on May12, 2006.

Ginger Spencer was promoted to Deputy Director of Administrative Services for the Phoenix Public Works Department, which she starts on June 5th.

Congratulations Again Ladies!!!

Remember...

There are still a few members that haven't gotten their dues in... Email Angie for more information, saffireaz@yahoo.com

Next Meeting... Tuesday, May 30 @ Cox Media Offices – 2020 N Central Ave 4th Floor; Parking is validated.

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