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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

I hope all of you had a good Thanksgiving. I cannot wait to see all of you at the December meeting which is going to held in Surprise. I hope that you have thought about the association and are considering running for an office on the board. Nominations will open at the December meeting. As the holidays are upon us, I just want to make sure that we all take care of and watch out for those around us. Even as important, is that we also take the time to take care of ourselves. A lot of people struggle during the holiday and as we know in our line of work, refuse to ask for help when they desperately need it. I personally invite anyone who ever needs someone to talk to call me anytime of the day or night. We are currently working on securing a location for the Seminar in June, as well as speakers. I hope to have a location locked down by the December meeting so that I can share it with you at the meeting. If you have any suggestions for speakers, please reach out to me. I can be reached at my new email address.

My new email address is carey.blackwell@yavapaiaz.gov.

Sincerely,

C.J. Blackwell

President

"OUR DEED DETERMINE US, AS MUCH AS WE DETERMINE OUR DEEDS" - GEORGE ELIOT

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Surprise PD
Public Safety Evidence & Readiness Center

December 14th @1000am

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DEA Announces Results of Enforcement Surge to Reduce the Fentanyl Supply Across the United States

36 Million Lethal Doses of Fentanyl Removed from Communities between May and September

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration today announced the results of an enforcement operation that spanned from May to September and resulted in significant fentanyl seizures across the United States.

As part of the One Pill Can Kill initiative, the DEA and its law enforcement partners seized more than 10.2 million fentanyl pills and approximately 980 pounds of fentanyl powder during the period of May 23 through Sept. 8, 2022. The amount of fentanyl taken off the streets during this surge is equivalent to more than 36 million lethal doses removed from the illegal drug supply. Additionally, 338 weapons were seized, including rifles, shotguns, pistols, and hand grenades.

Of the 390 cases investigated during this period, 51 cases are linked to overdose poisonings and 35 cases link directly to one or both of the primary Mexican cartels responsible for the majority of fentanyl in the United States – the Sinaloa Cartel and the Jalisco New Generation Cartel (CJNG). In addition, 129 investigations are linked to social media platforms, including Snapchat, Facebook Messenger, Instagram, and TikTok. These results build upon the One Pill Can Kill Phase II results announced by DEA Administrator Anne Milgram in December 2021.

"Across the country, fentanyl is devastating families and communities, and we know that violent, criminal drug cartels bear responsibility for this crisis," said Attorney General Merrick B. Garland. "The Justice Department, including the extraordinary professionals of the DEA, is working to disrupt and dismantle the operations of these cartels, remove deadly fentanyl from our communities, and save Americans' lives."

Fentanyl remains the deadliest drug threat facing this nation. In 2021, a record number of Americans – 107,622 – died from a drug poisoning or overdose. Sixty-six percent of those deaths can be attributed to synthetic opioids such as fentanyl.

Drug traffickers have expanded their inventory to sell fentanyl in a variety of bright colors, shapes, and sizes. Rainbow fentanyl was first reported to DEA in February 2022, and it has now been seized in 21 states.

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is 50 times more potent than heroin. Just two milligrams of fentanyl, or the amount that could fit on the tip of a pencil, is considered a potentially lethal dose.

As part of DEA's ongoing efforts to educate the public and encourage parents and caregivers to talk to teens and young adults about the dangers of fake pills and illicit drugs, DEA has also created a new resource, "What Every Parent and Caregiver Needs to Know About Fake Pills."

In September 2021, DEA launched the One Pill Can Kill enforcement effort and public awareness campaign to combat the fake pill threat and educate the public about the dangers of fentanyl pills being disguised and sold as prescription medications, despite these pills not containing any of the actual medications advertised. The only safe medications are ones prescribed by a trusted medical professional and dispensed by a licensed pharmacist. All other pills are unsafe and potentially deadly.

Authentic Oxycodone
Side by Side

Street Names: 30s; 40s; 512s; Beans; Blues; Buttons; Cotton; Greens; Hillbilly Heroin; Kickers; Killers; Muchachas; Mujeres; OC; Oxy; Oxy 80s; Roxy; Roxy Shorts; Whites

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DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

ONE PILL CAN KILL

EMOJI DRUG CODE | DECODED

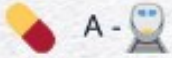
COMMON EMOJI CODES

FAKE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

PERCOCET & OXYCODONE

XANAX

ADDERALL



DEALER SIGNALS

DEALER ADVERTISING

HIGH POTENCY

UNIVERSAL FOR DRUGS

LARGE BATCH

OTHER DRUGS

METH

HEROIN

COCAINE

MDMA & MOLLIES

MUSHROOMS

COUGH SYRUP

MARIJUANA

This reference guide is intended to give parents, caregivers, educators, and other influencers a better sense of how emojis are being used in conjunction with illegal drugs. Fake prescription pills, commonly laced with deadly fentanyl and methamphetamine, are often sold on social media and e-commerce platforms – making them available to anyone with a smartphone.

#ONEPILLCANKILL

dea.gov/onepill

Disclaimer: *These emojis reflect common examples found in DEA investigations. This list is not all-inclusive, and the images above are a representative sample.*

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IS YOUR PROPERTY/EVIDENCE ROOM IN GOOD SHAPE?

Are you able to account for every item in your inventory??

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Have an interesting story or unusual item that was brought in to your warehouse? Don't hold back... Share it...

Send your ideas, comments, photos, and interesting articles to: jmichaelx2@gmail.com

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Nominations are being accepted....

All members are invited to run for the Executive Board

Remember the upcoming election will be held in March 2023.

Please send in your nomination today!!!

Volunteers are needed as well for the annual Seminar and in reaching out to vendors. Please contact any board member for guidance. Your help is greatly appreciated.

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Terms and Definition refresher course…..

- **Acquittal**: Final judgment in a case where a defendant is not proven guilty
- **Adjudication**: A formal judgment on a court matter by a judge or jury
- **Arraignment**: Court session where the defendant issues their plea and is charged
- **Bench trial**: Trial where there is only a judge and no jury involved
- **Charge**: Formal complaint of a crime made in court against a defendant
- **Compensatory damages**: Money owed by the defendant to the plaintiff
- **Detention**: Temporary detainment or custody of a suspect or defendant
- **Discovery**: The prosecution turns over evidence in the case to the defendant
- **Extradition**: Sending a defendant to a different location to have the crime charged
- **Injunction**: A court order to enact or stop an action from happening
- **Motion**: A formal request to ask the judge to hear a dispute between both sides
- **Overruled**: Statement that the judge will not grant a request in court
- **Perjury**: The act of lying while under oath in the court of law
- **Sentence**: The penalty imposed on the defendant if found guilty by judge or jury
- **Statutes**: Laws that set the rules for conducting lawsuits and legal action
- **Subpoena**: Amandatory request for an individual to appear in court

New Title 13 Statutes

HB2119 · § 13-906, Restoration of civil rights; process, was amended to provide requirements for the courts and probation departments to notify a person about their civil rights restoration, and to notify AZDPS when a person's rights are automatically restored, including their right to possess firearms. · § 13-907, Automatic restoration of civil rights for first offenders; firearm rights, was amended to provide: o Allows a court to grant a petition filed by a person who is eligible for automatic restoration without response from the state. o Adds provision prohibiting automatic restoration for the following convictions or their out of state counterparts: dangerous offenses under 13-704; serious offense under 13-706. o Allows the court to grant restoration of firearms rights even if the person is not entitled to automatic firearms rights restoration.

· § 13-908, Restoration of civil rights; application; firearm rights; definition, was amended to provide: o Strikes two-year waiting period from final discharge for person with prior felony convictions to file for restoration of rights. o Adds requirement for clerk to send application for restoration to the AZAG, in addition to the county attorney. o Adds ability to petition for restoration for out-of-state counterpart convictions. o Eliminates the requirement to file an affidavit or certificate of absolute discharge for out of state convictions or imprisonment

New Title 13 Statutes Continued

HB2343 · § 13-2413, Interfering with a crime scene investigation, was created making it a class 2 misdemeanor to interfere with a crime scene investigation if the person knowingly disobeys a peace officer's reasonable verbal order to remain off the premises of a possible crime scene or otherwise interferes with a peace officer's crime scene investigation. o Does not prevent peaceably observing a police proceeding if the person does not interfere with or obstruct the peace officer's crime scene investigation. o Defines "crime scene" as an area where a crime has possibly occurred and a peace officer who is on site has determined that it is necessary to restrict the public's access to the area until any potential evidence of the crime at the scene is identified and preserved, victims and suspects are identified and, if necessary, any emergency medical care and ambulance transportation is requested.

HB2587 · § 39-171, Public records; requests; point of contact, was created was created to provide: o Government entities are required to provide contact information on their website of the person/department that is able to provide the requested records, or who is able to provide the contact information for someone who can provide the records. o Unless the entity has a central online portal that provides receipt on submission of PRR's, the person or department that can fill the request must provide acknowledging receipt of request within 5 business days.

Watermelon Fruit Pizza

Ingredients:

1 watermelon

4 ounces thawed sugar-free whipped topping

6 ounces low-sugar peach yogurt

1/3 cup fresh blueberries

1/3 cup fresh raspberries

Directions:

1. Cut the watermelon into 1½-inch portions resembling a circle like a pizza.
2. In a small bowl, stir whipped topping with yogurt until fully combined.
3. Spoon the mixture on top of the watermelon in an even layer.
4. Place the remaining fruit on top of the mixture.
5. Cut into pizza slice-like wedges and enjoy!

Scam Alert

Zelle is a popular mobile payment application that allows users to send payments to one another. Like most financial institutions, Zelle alerts users of possible fraud to stop suspicious account activity from happening. However, not all fraud alerts are legitimate. Cybercriminals can impersonate Zelle and send fake fraud alerts to scam you.

In a new smishing (SMS phishing) scam, cybercriminals may send you a fraud alert text message claiming to be from Zelle. If you reply to the message, the cybercriminals will call you with spoofed caller ID so the phone number looks legitimate. If you answer their call, they'll use social engineering tactics, such as a heightened level of urgency, to try to trick you into sending money to an imposter Zelle account. This account will look like your account, but the money you send will go directly to the cybercriminals.

Follow these tips to stay safe from these scams:

- If you receive a text message alerting you about suspicious activity on your account, don't reply to the text message. Contact the financial services institution directly by calling the phone number on their website.
- Never trust your caller ID. Cybercriminals can spoof phone numbers to impersonate someone else.
- Always be cautious of unexpected text messages. While this attack targets Zelle users, this smishing scam could be used with any financial institution.

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Fraud

Someone gained **unauthorized** access to your money.

EXAMPLE

Someone gained access to your bank account without your permission. You never authorized or were involved in the transaction.

WHAT TO DO

Immediately report suspected unauthorized activity to your financial institution.

CAN YOU GET YOUR MONEY BACK?

Because you **did not authorize a payment**, you are typically able to get your money back.

Like to "Welcome" to the association:

Allyssa Martindell—Graham County Sheriffs Office

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DAD JOKES!!!

I was incredibly surprised when the stationary store …. moved.

What is a computer's favorite snack? Microchips!

I accidently took my cat's meds last night….
Don't ask meow.

Did you hear that Fry's grocery store has a new rule when shopping? So, when you buy carrots and cabbage, you also need to buy mayonnaise. It's called coles-law.