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Local Stops Mass Shooting

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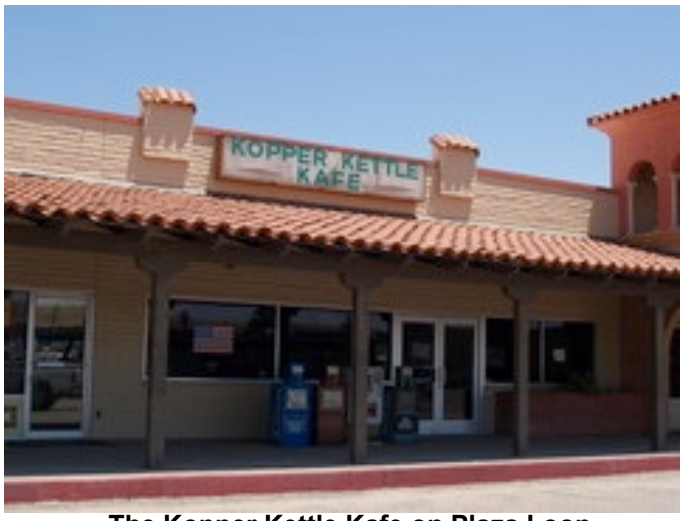
In Morenci two days ago, an as yet unidentified woman, bent on performing a mass murder at the Kopper Kettle Kafe, was stopped by a good citizen that happened to be at the right place at the right time.

When Deputy Blackman arrived at the scene that evening, he found two women and a man dead from gunshot wounds. Two additional gunshot victims: 53 year old Jeffrey Brown, and 37 year old Faith Armstrong, had already been transported to Gila Health Resources via private vehicles. They are expected to recover.

Eye witnesses of the shootings claim that an unknown woman entered the Kopper Kettle, and at some point began shooting people with a hand gun. Two Morenci residents were killed: Marcus Herrington, age 34, and his wife, Edna, age 22. At some point during this shooting spree, the red haired female in her 40's or 50's stopped to reloaded her handgun. It was at this point that Morenci resident Gerard Hanson fired upon the unknown shooter with his own handgun, killing her at the scene. Mr. Hanson was in possession of a valid



The Kopper Kettle Kafe on Plaza Loop

Be 'awesome' like Gabe — make a New Year's resolution PAGE A3

Hobby results in yard art

By Jon Johnson
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PIMA — The gift of three cow skulls and a burning desire to perform woodworking inspired the transformation of Ed and Lisa Norton's front yard into a work of Western-themed art.

Ed was delivering hay on the San Carlos Reservation when he noticed a cow skull on the ground.

"I said, 'I'd sure like one of those,' and he gave me three of them," Ed said. "I had them around my little water place there and I thought, 'I think I'll just build me some bodies' and I went from there."

In addition to his replica windmill water fountain — which utilizes a solar panel to charge a battery that powers the pump to recirculate the water — Ed has built a ranch-themed set complete with oxen pulling a wagon, horse,