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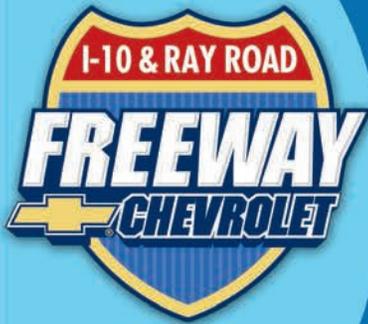
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At Fees Elementary, kids get a jump start on careers of the future



Fees program seen as 'wave of the future.'
— Wrangler News photo by Billy Hardiman

By Diana Whittle

For middle-school students who like to learn from hands-on projects, a new program in the Tempe Elementary district may provide a custom-made fit.

Fees College Preparatory Academy announced its Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics program, now commonly referred to as STEM, for grades 6 to 8 starting this coming fall.

The program requires an application, which will be accepted until March 7. Families will be notified by April 4 of enrollment status in the program.

Deborah Pardee, an eighth grade science teacher at Fees, hopes the curriculum will light a fire under the students' enthusiasm for matters scientific.

"Students who are interested in science and technology will be most successful in this program, such as a student who has a natural curiosity about the world and shows a strong natural aptitude toward STEM-related fields," said Pardee.

She's not alone in expressing enthusiasm for the program.

"STEM is the wave of the future and prepares students for college degrees and jobs that don't yet exist," said Fees Principal Kacy S. Tomas.

"When I became principal a year ago, our data showed a weakness in the area of mathematics, and that the majority of students didn't see the need for math later in their lives. STEM is a logical choice since it not only provides a vehicle for students to apply their mathematical skills, but it also shows them how these skills transfer to real life."

Enrollment in the program is targeted toward incoming fifth graders and students currently enrolled in sixth and seventh grades. Students outside

the district also may apply to attend.

The STEM program at Fees will have multiple components, explained Tomas.

"The first component is the elective class, which is based on both state and national standards. We will be implementing the Paxton Patterson Action Labs, which include technology-based instruction and hands-on learning followed by application of the learned skills.

The second component will be the integration of STEM-focused materials into other content areas. There will be designated STEM teachers at each grade level who will work to incorporate STEM concepts into their daily instruction.

The final stage of STEM integration will take place through college and career exploration. Throughout the year, students in the STEM class will be exploring college and career paths that tie directly to STEM-focused skills."

Prospective STEM student Taylor Delgado is a seventh grader at Fees who recently attended an open house for families and says science is her favorite subject.

"I like that we get to do hands-on

labs. We did a lab on minerals and we got to touch them and see what they looked like with a magnified glass, and then we were able to identify them," said Taylor.

"I am interested in the STEM program because as I go into the eighth grade I want to do something new. I hope that the STEM program will provide me with new learning that I will be able to use as an adult and throughout my life."

Parent Stephenie A. Norrish, whose children already attend Fees, says the program is a great option for her family.

"I have encouraged my children, a sixth grade boy and a seventh grade girl, to participate in the STEM program at Fees because of the opportunities it will provide to advance their learning," said Norrish.

"STEM goes beyond the basics of education and teaches critical thinking, problem solving, communication, collaboration and creativity in the pursuit of innovation."

More information about the program and an application can be found on-line at www.tempe.k12.az.us.

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Cover story

Tempe teen's role brings rock-star status to performance of 'Godspell'

By M.V. Moorhead33

Early on in rehearsals for Seton Catholic Preparatory High School's production of *Godspell*, director Brigid O'Neill instructed her cast members to develop a back-story for their roles. This led Austin Weigel, who plays Jesus, to attempt a modified fast intended to simulate the experience of the 40 days in the desert.

Maya Chavez chose less of a stretch.

"I decided to become an aspiring rock star," says Chavez. "That wouldn't even be a role for me."

Indeed not. The 16-year-old Tempe resident is already the veteran of rock band *The Moment is Aflame*, which has toured to L.A.'s *Whiskey a Go-Go*.

In a less secular vein, Chavez notes, "I do choir at Seton."

Godspell uses both the pious and the worldly side of Chavez's personality—it's a devotional musical in which Chavez sings a burlesque-style number, "Turn Back, O Man."

The show, which was a hit on Broadway in 1976 and has been endlessly mounted by regional, college and high school companies before being revived on Broadway in 2011, is a retelling of the Gospel of St. Matthew performed by clowns using street-theater techniques like sight gags and topical references. Each production is shaped, to some extent, by its actors, who draw upon their own personalities to build their characters.

"This production is very different than anything

Seton has ever done," says Chavez. "It's very audience-involved."

It's the second show at Seton for Chavez, and the first musical—she was in the non-musical *Play On* last year. Not surprisingly, she hopes to pursue music.

"I would like to go to college for music education or music therapy," says the Seton junior. But of course, she wouldn't say no to being a rock star.

Her castmate Hayley Pugh, on the other hand, hopes to study biology or marine biology at college. But she too says "I want to keep on singing."

Pugh is responsible for two of *Godspell*'s powerhouse numbers, "By My Side" and "We Beseech Thee"—"The highest and the lowest songs in the show," notes the senior, a Phoenix Girls Choir veteran.

It's her fifth musical at the school—she played one of the "Silly Girls" in *Beauty and the Beast* and Auntie Em in *The Wizard of Oz*—and she's appeared in several of Seton's non-musical productions as well.

But *Godspell* is different, Pugh asserts. "It's a fairly small cast, so it's more of a community thing. In a lot of the musicals, there's like 40 kids, so you don't get to know everybody. But this is like a family."

Chavez echoes this. "There are only 18 of us, so this cast is more of a family. It's been an amazing ride."

The driver, so to speak, for said amazing ride is

director O'Neill, who's been on the English faculty at Seton for two years, but has only this year taken charge of the school's drama program.

The Buffalo, N.Y., native studied at St. Bonaventure, Marquette and NAU but also did a stint at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York City before deciding "I wanted more stability."

Prior to her time at Seton, she taught at Buffalo's all-girl Immaculata Academy and directed plays there.

For some shows they dressed girls in boys' costumes; for others they borrowed actual boys from a nearby all-boy school.

After such privations, working from a co-ed talent pool like Seton's must be breeze. Still, directing *Godspell* required some hard choices. One was the size of the cast.

Says O'Neill:

"The first thing I did, which was weird, was I almost doubled the size of the cast. I've seen it done with more than the original 10, and I don't like that, because it's supposed to be this intimate thing."

But in high school theater, "The musical is when you're supposed to get 40 or 50 kids in. So I increased it to 18. I'm trying to walk the line between keeping it intimate and getting more students involved."

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Tempe resident Maya Chavez, photo at left, a member of the cast of Seton Catholic Preparatory School's performance of 'Godspell,' is no newcomer to the stage, having performed in a rock band at such clubs as famed Whiskey a Go-Go on Sunset Boulevard. Bailee Dawson and Jimmy McCormick, below, are also among players in the popular musical, which continues through Feb. 14.

— Wrangler News photos by Billy Hardiman





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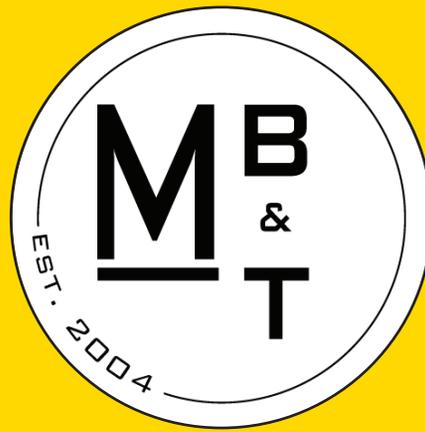
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A Valentine's Day retrospective of life, love
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Story by Georgia Swing
Photo by Billy Hardiman

Aclaimed Tempe watercolor artist Raleigh Kinney says he couldn't have made a living through art for the last 34 years without his business partner and wife, Darlene Kinney.

And, as the couple looks ahead to their 50th wedding anniversary in September, they will celebrate this Valentine's Day together in typical fashion—working in their booth at the Third Annual Waterfront Art & Wine Festival in Scottsdale.

The secret to the longevity of their marriage? "Just being in love," Darlene Kinney said last week in the art studio custom-built onto their Mesa home, to which they moved after years in Tempe.

"I always tell him when I'm sitting and watching his demos, and he's sitting here teaching, I'm so glad I get to go home with him.

"I think, 'Ah-ha, he's mine.'"

Kinney

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"I'll tell you what, in this business you need a partner," said Raleigh, 75. "And one of the things that Darlene has always been is a great backer and also the person who does the stuff behind the scenes."

Darlene, 71, smiled widely when describing her role in their work: "I'm the creative financier. I know a million ways how to stretch one dollar bill."

She makes the mats for framing and handles correspondence and workshop registrations. "I say, 'He just paints; I do the rest.'"

"For good or for worse, she is a real critic of my work," Raleigh said. "She's not afraid to say, 'I don't like that painting. There's something about it that bothers me.'"

"So I'll go back and sometimes make adjustments in it and sometimes I'll say, 'You're right, it's got two focal points; it's not working. I'll have to make some major changes in it.' Or I'll just junk it and do another one."

After 30 years in Tempe, the couple moved in 2009 to a home in Mesa with enough property to add a 30-by-35-foot studio where Raleigh paints and leads workshops for up to

10 people.

But the story of Raleigh Kinney and Darlene Fox began 53 years ago back in Deerwood, Minn., where they met on New Year's Eve.

The start of a partnership

"My girlfriend didn't have a date and I didn't either," Darlene remembered, so they decided to take their chances on going stag to the White Pine dance hall. "It was almost midnight, and no one had come to even ask us to dance."

Then she saw a good-looking young college man nearby, and she admits she was surprised when he approached her. "We danced, and he took me home."

"I thought she was great," Raleigh said. "We had a lot of fun that night."

"We just kind of clicked," Darlene agreed. "The rest is history."

Eighteen years later, Raleigh Kinney was an art teacher at St. Cloud (Minn.) Apollo High School when he proposed taking a year's leave of absence and heading for Arizona with Darlene and their two boys. He had been steadily developing a passion for watercolor painting and, at the suggestion of his mentor, Canadian artist Zoltan Szabo, he wanted to try

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Kinney

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working full-time as a painter.

"My girlfriends told me to just keep calm, it would pass over because it was his age," Darlene said, prompting a laugh from her husband. "And it didn't. But we had a family discussion with our boys. They were (in) fourth grade and seventh grade."

With the family in agreement, they sold their Minnesota home.

"Darlene's folks were down in St. Cloud when we were loading the van, loading the U-Haul, and they did not help us," Raleigh said.

"They sat and watched us load the van, thinking, 'This guy's got to be an idiot.' I'm sure as we drove away they thought: 'What is he thinking?'"

"It was kind of scary," Darlene recalled. But, she added, "I kind of liked getting out of the winters. We had been down here visiting good friends and I knew they were here. I guess I was nervous about it but I was looking forward to it."

After growing up in Tempe, their sons thanked them for making the move.

"They just said that it widened them," Darlene said.

"They said that they grew. They really enjoyed coming to Arizona and having a swimming pool. No snow."

Gaining a foothold

From teaching painting in a downtown Phoenix gallery for \$5 a lesson to holding classes in his garage, Raleigh Kinney gradually developed a following.

A chance meeting with the advertising director for the Diamond's stores, now Dillards, led to a gig that he called "a great impetus as far as being recognized as a good painter."

"He said, 'Would you be interested in coming and demonstrating in the Diamond's stores during the holidays? We'll set you up at the top of the escalator. We'll put a mirror up there. You can demonstrate and we'll sell a display of your artwork. I did that for about three or four months."

"That's really how I got acquainted with a lot of the artists in the Valley and gained a lot of notoriety," Raleigh said.

"Any painter who happened to walk through the Diamond's store at that time, I got a chance to meet him, so I became associated with a group of watercolor painters."

As the 1980s went on, "things started taking off economically," he said.

"So we were lucky. We started doing some art festivals, and my name really got around."

At their peak, Raleigh and Darlene were showing and selling his art at 35 to 40 festivals a year.

He spent time each October for 16 years painting on Catalina Island off the coast of Southern California, has taught workshops around the country, and has had his paintings published on calendars and in such magazines as Arizona Highways.

His work is featured in three books about watercolor painting, one of them about the history of plein air painting – a French term for painting outdoors – on Catalina Island.

Sharing the passion

Plein air painting is Raleigh Kinney's specialty. "There's not very many watercolor plein air painters because watercolor is harder to handle on location," he said.

"Plein air is a great excitement-builder. You can go out and spend a day plein air painting and you come back to the studio with a head of steam," Raleigh said. "You see the colors more vividly and you see subtlety in the shadows that you didn't see from a photograph...and you remember that, and you bring that back to the studio, and you're excited about painting again."

Although it's tough for novice painters to learn to use watercolors outdoors, he loves to take groups out into the desert.

"The joy of that is they get to see what real shadows look like on location and how it reflects the sky, or how it reflects a neighboring subject," he said. "So, shadows aren't just black, shadows aren't just gray. They're color. So you point that out, and it makes their picture better and more entertaining."

"You bring a sketch back, and it may not be a perfect sketch, but it was done in the moment. And sometimes those pieces that were done in the moment are the most exciting pieces that you do."

He describes his style as "somewhat impressionistic but realistic. I like a loose kind of painting. I really like to see brush marks and how I

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Tempe High students gear up for a chance to share in \$18 million worth of tech scholarships

By Sally Mesarosh

It's late on a Friday afternoon and a dozen or more Tempe High School students are elbow deep in robot parts, wires and soldering irons. Wearing safety goggles and possessing dogged determination, the students gather in the bay of a campus maintenance building to assemble robots for upcoming local, state and national competitions.

The Tempe "RoboBuffs," named after a buffalo, the school mascot, are three weeks into a six-week build cycle for the multinational FIRST Robotics Competition, in which participants design, build and test a functioning robot. The students are also gearing up for the local VEX Robotics Competition sponsored by Microchip Technology in Chandler this month.

Mike Warner, faculty adviser for the club, said students with varying degrees of experience work together to prepare for the events. In the process, students get interested in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines.

"These experiences give students an advantage and open up more doors in terms of employment," Warner said. "Over \$18 million in scholarship funds are available through the FIRST competition."

In 2013, more than 300,000 students on over 2,500 teams competed in 47 competitions with teams from 56 different nations. The competitions are high-tech spectator sporting events, focused on brainstorming, real-world teamwork, dedicated mentoring, project timelines and deadlines.

What is the secret to gaining an advantage in the competitions?

"You have to have great ideas," Warner said. "We have mentors who attend club meetings, like an electrical engineer who used to work for Microchip, a computer programmer and a number of college students who are former members of the club."

Some of those former club alumni have gone on to college and high-paying careers. Warner said all four students who were in the first club, nine years ago, have done well. One, an undocumented male graduated from ASU with a degree in physics and earned a master's degree in Mexico. He is now teaching in Mexico and trying to get a VISA to come back to the U.S. and earn his Ph.D.

"Another student was a girl who never would have been able to go to college," Warner said. "She didn't have the funds. She got a \$36,000 scholarship from ITT and is now working for an engineering firm in Scottsdale."

Current students say they like the combination of working on technology, meeting new people and entering competitions.

"The competitions are the best part," said club vice president Ashley Noble. "You start from nothing and create an actual robot. At the competitions you meet people from all over the world."

For Tempe sophomore Richard Campos, it's all about bonding with club members.

"When I came into the club, I was interested in the mechanics," Campos said. "But now what's

important to me are the bonds I've formed with people I never thought I would have things in common with."

Freshman Erica North said, "We are all a family here. When I joined I didn't know anything about robotics but everyone helped me."

To further encourage the good experiences students enjoy, several parents are starting a booster club.

"What these kids are doing is phenomenal," said parent Frank Bustillos who has two sons, Jesus and Estevan, in the club.

"We'd like to see the club become a class for credit and have more recognition for Mr. Warner and the students."

Bustillos said Warner, who has been advisor for more than 10 years, is at the school morning, noon and night.

"I've seen kids go on and major in engineering because of their experience with the club," Bustillos said. "I'm blown away by what Warner does. You can't find that kind of dedication anywhere."

Warner's club will be gaining a little wider recognition soon. One of the club robots will appear in a movie production titled, "La Vida Robot," a true story about how students from Carl Hayden High School in Phoenix beat the best from M.I.T. in a national underwater bot championship. The movie will use one of the Tempe High School robots in their production.

If all this talk of robots peaks your interest, the public will have an opportunity to meet members of the Tempe RoboBuffs at the annual Tempe Geeks' Night Out on Mill Ave. Feb. 20. It's an Arizona SciTech Festival event that celebrates science and technology.

Tempe robotics club members will demonstrate robotics and a SimCity-like energy computer game. Info: <http://www.tempe.gov/geeks>.

Additionally, if you would like to get involved with the club as a sponsor donating materials, money or volunteer help, visit <http://www.temperobotics.org> for more information.



Tempe High's 'Robobuffs' technology club wasted no time getting ready for its members' entry in a robotics competition sponsored by Microchip in Chandler, winners of which will share in more than \$18 million in scholarship funds. The group also will participate in Tempe's Geeks' Night Out event Feb. 20 on Mill Avenue. Related story on Page 25.

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Spanish-language students at Aprende Middle School had an authentic cultural experience when performers from the Ballet Folklórico of Chandler showed up for a display of the historic art form. Spanish teacher Jadine Bowens hosted the event.

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Hall of Famer Mike Ditka to headline first 'Taste in Tempe'

Mike Ditka, NFL Hall of Famer and former NFL coach of the Chicago Bears and New Orleans Saints, will make an exclusive appearance at the first-ever Taste In Tempe on Sunday, Feb. 9.

Presented by CBS Radio, Tempe Center for the Arts and R Entertainment Company, Taste In Tempe will take place at the Tempe Center for the Arts Amphitheater, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, creating what planners say will be an unforgettable pre-Valentine's Day culinary event.

Beyond his reputation as an NFL star and coaching legend, Ditka has earned a notable place in the restaurant world, as well.

The aptly named quality dining spot opened its first location in Chicago and recently made way to metro Phoenix, inside the new Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino. *USA Today* noted Ditka's among the Top 10 celebrity-owned restaurants in the country.

Taste In Tempe will dish out some of Ditka's classics, as prepared by Chef Andy Moy—all while guests and "da Coach" himself stroll the lakefront, sampling an eclectic variety of more than 30 Arizona restaurants.

In addition to crowd-pleasing favorites and celebrity guests, Taste In Tempe offers an afternoon of food, music and celebration with a romantic twist.

The event delivers a "love and romance" -themed shopping experience with jewelry, luxury goods, flowers, chocolates, pastries and more.

Taste In Tempe showcases wines from around the world accompanied by expert-led seminars, and exclusive craft breweries sampling flavorful beverages.

In addition, the Arizona Pork Council and Crooked Sky Farms are featured contributors of pork and farm fresh vegetables as part of the menu at Taste in Tempe.

CBS Radio stations KMLE Country @ 107.9, LIVE 101.5, and KOOL FM will deliver live music and entertainment as local celebrity chefs offer an insider's knowledge on the chef demonstration stage.

Leading up to Taste In Tempe, the participating radio stations will give listeners a chance to win a taste of the good life in a Taste In Tempe \$20K Giveaway with a grand prize of \$20,000.

Tickets

Taste In Tempe tickets include food, wine and craft beer sampling, wine seminars, cooking demonstrations, parking, entertainment and a chance to win the \$20K Giveaway (enter before 2:30 p.m.)

Tickets are available at www.kmle1079.com, www.KOOLRadio.com or www.LIVE1015phoenix.com.

Tickets are \$59 in advance; or \$69 at the door.

Tempe residents may purchase tickets online for \$49.

Tempe library to be among first offering latest entry in 'Ali Reynolds' crime series by Arizona author J.A. Jance

Thirty years into a publishing career that boasts more than 22 million copies in print, Arizona-reared J.A. Jance

releases *Moving Target*, her 50th book, on Feb. 18 with a series of Valley-wide appearances.

Among the first to make the book available is the Tempe Public Library, where it will be on the shelves and ready for checkout within two weeks of its release.

Said Tempe Library Manager Tracy Gray:

"J.A. Jance is a very popular author, not only in Arizona but worldwide. It's great to see an Arizona author reach such popularity. She has visited our library several times and her titles are always requested by our patrons."

Born in South Dakota and brought up in Bisbee, Janice and her husband live in Tucson and Seattle.

Her Ali Reynolds series has appeared on *The New York*

Times bestseller list.

In the newest of Jance's titles, police academy-trained former reporter Reynolds leaves her home turf of crime-riddled Tucson for mysteries overseas.

Early praise includes:

Booklist—"Jance adroitly combines well-rounded characterizations and brisk storytelling with high-tech exploits, arson, kidnappings, and a shootout for an entertaining and suspenseful addition to this solid series."

Suspense Magazine—"Great characters make this new story one of the best she's written in her entire career."

Publishers Weekly—"Engrossing...Jance provides enough backstory to orient readers new to the series, and longtime fans should enjoy insights into B.'s and Leland's pasts."



Three free sessions of writers workshops

Experienced writers and those hoping someday to pen the great American novel can learn how to turn their ideas for a book into a published narrative, biography or guide at a series of free workshops at the Tempe Public Library.

Ann Videan, a credentialed member of the Public Relations Society of America, will offer interactive workshops to guide authors and would-be authors through every step of the book-creation process.

The free Saturday workshops start at 11 a.m. and last approximately an hour. Each workshop stands alone; those interested may attend all or just one. Scheduled programs include:

- *Feb. 15: 27 Steps from Idea to Published* — People new to the idea of writing a book, or who aren't sure how to get a written book published will learn how to navigate the process.

- *Feb. 22: 11 Editing Tips to Wow a Publisher* — Learn the key editing techniques to polish your book to impress publishers.

- *March 8: Market Outside the Books: Outrageous Ideas to Entice Readers to Talk You Up* — Have you already written a book? Videan will share unique book marketing ideas to spark buzz by leveraging the book's compelling content.

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City, Tempe St. Luke's join forces in patient advocacy initiative Team approach focuses on helping frequent users of emergency services

Thirty-three frequent emergency-services clients have become the pilot recipients of a new, collaborative medical-management initiative pioneered by the city of Tempe and Tempe St. Luke's Hospital.

Since November, Tempe Fire paramedics and Tempe St. Luke's have quietly been implementing a cooperative Patient Advocate Services Program.

The goal of the program is to provide patient-centered care and medical management services to selected chronically ill residents while reducing costs. The program is designed to help frequent emergency-services clients, at the same time increasing coordination among healthcare providers.

John Valenzuela, a fire department spokesman, said the program is unique to the Valley in

identifying and assisting residents who could benefit from additional medical education, coaching and resources.

Team members include city paramedics and a registered nurse from Tempe St. Luke's. The group also partners with Tempe physicians to link patients lacking primary care to doctors. Current enrollment provides services to 33 residents.

"The program has made a positive impact on their overall healthcare while reducing costs and increasing efficiency in healthcare delivery," said Darrell Duty, Tempe's deputy chief of medical services.

"We have identified several issues such as hypertension and diabetes, and have partnered with their physicians, to address and improve these

issues," said Duty.

"We have found there is a certain population in Tempe that our crews interact with almost on a daily basis through the 911 system, so it made sense to work in a more efficient and collaborative manner by visiting with them proactively before they feel the need to call 911."

During the most recent accounting of services provided, patient advocates visited 20 homes, made 26 patient follow-up visits and 10 physician contacts.

The program also includes hospitalized-patient visits, patient-care-records management, mental health and substance abuse referrals and patient medication research.

Information: www.tempe.gov/fire.

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Music Beat . . . with Chase Kamp

Renowned Swedish singers to regale Feb. 10 at Marcos de Niza

Rare is the day that an internationally acclaimed singing ensemble, one that can paint an immaculate sonic landscape with its five gorgeous voices, decides to book a show in your backyard.

Marcos de Niza choral director Darin Shryock has had such luck.

"It's like asking if the Beatles want to play your auditorium," he said.

The Real Group, a stunningly versatile and harmonious Swedish vocal jazz ensemble, will take the stage at Marcos de Niza High School in Tempe for a one-night-only performance on Monday, Feb. 10.

The five-member a cappella group performs original songs, as well as classic tunes from the great American songbook, with elastic vocal talent and flawless harmonies.

In its 28-year run, The Real Group has toured internationally and played events such as the Swedish queen's birthday celebration and the FIFA World Cup in South Korea and Japan.

The singers are so virtuosic that they end some shows with a call to the audience for songs to improvise, then up the ante by singing them in any style requested by the crowd.

One YouTube video shows the group improvising the jazz standard "Take the 'A' Train" as an opera.

Shryock is awe-struck at hosting the



Swedish jazz ensemble The Real Group due Feb. 10.

internationally famous group for a show at Marcos.

The Real Group had sold out its show at the Ardrey Auditorium in Flagstaff as part of Northern Arizona University's Jazz Madrigal Festival. NAU has hosted many big names in the vocal jazz world for the festival, including the accomplished New York Voices and the 10-time Grammy-winning group Take 6.

The Real Group was looking for more opportunities to perform in Arizona, and Shryock leap at the chance.

While The Real Group is a feast for the ears on

CD or in a YouTube video, Shryock said hearing the group's dazzling harmonies in person is exponentially better.

"I told my kids this is a once in a lifetime experience to see it live," he said. "It's like getting to see [Frank] Sinatra."

To top it off, some of Marcos' own singers will open the show.

The Chamber Singers, an audition-only group of 15 Marcos de Niza vocalists, will warm up the crowd with renditions of Beatles classics, jazz standards and early renaissance music.

Shryock directs the group, which rehearses at 6:40 a.m. every school day. "That my kids can open for [The Real Group] is a bonus," he said.

Also performing is the Oasis Vocal Jazz Ensemble from Mesa Community College, directed by Craig Peterson.

Shryock said the audience will be treated to every level of vocal jazz performance.

"They will get to see high school, community college and the professional pinnacle," he said.

Tickets for The Real Group are \$16-\$25 and are available at Eventbrite.com. It will be at the Marcos de Niza High auditorium at 6000 S. Lakeshore Drive beginning at 7 p.m.

After their opening gig for The Real Group, the talented singers and musical theater performers at Marcos de Niza will be performing this year's production of *Little Shop of Horrors* March 5 through 8.

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Sports Notebook... with Alex Zener

The No. 1 ranked and undefeated-in-the-state Corona boy basketball team should enter the post season as not only a much-improved team skill-wise but as a more cohesive unit than when they started the season last November.

"I think we have improved tremendously over the season in many areas," said head coach **Sam Duane, Jr.**

"We have improved our defense and rebounding, and most importantly we have learned to play much better with each other."

Learning to play with each other is a key component to the team's success this season since the team's seven returning players, only two of them starters from last season's state championship team, had to bring into the fold three new players, all of whom have played key roles on the team so far this season: **Dane Kuiper**, **Connor MacDougall** and **Alex Barcello**.

Kuiper, a 6-foot-7 junior transfer from Alaska, and MacDougall, a 6-foot-9 center headed to ASU this fall, have no doubt had an impact on the back-to-back state championship team led by last year's Big Player of the Year and Oregon-bound guard **Casey Benson**. But so has Barcello, who comes off the bench to spark the team with his energy and scoring.

Returning starter, **Cassius Peat**, has stepped up big playing in the middle for MacDougall who rolled his ankle Jan. 17 against Gilbert as has the Aztec's three-point specialist **Russ Davis** and last season's sixth man, **Jarrett Givens**.

"All of our guys have grown this season in their own way," said Duane.

"Russ and Jarrett have really played well and gained a lot of confidence this last month."

"Dane, Alex and Connor have become much more comfortable in our system, and Cassius has really gotten into basketball shape," said Duane. "And Casey has been Casey. He has done a tremendous job as the leader of our team."

The Aztecs, who had compiled a 24-1, 10-0 section record as of Feb. 4, with only two remaining games in the regular season, will play in what the Arizona Interscholastic Association is calling a Super Sectional Tournament Feb. 12, 14 and 15 at either Brophy or Mountain Ridge.

Corona, as part of Section 2, will play in the Super Sectional II Tournament against teams from Section 4. The brackets, which will not fully be determined until after the regular season, can be found at <http://www.aia365.com/brackets/basketball-boys/d1/ss2>.

Basically, the top four teams in each section play in one of two Super Sectional tournaments: Section 1's top four teams against Section 3's top four teams, and Section 2's top four against Section 4's top four.

The super sectionals are single-elimination, with the winners of each super sectional guaranteed the No. 1 and No. 2 seed in the state tournament. The runners-up are guaranteed the No. 3 and No. 4 seed. It is not clear if Corona wins in the super sectional whether they will end up No. 1 or will be the No. 2

seed at state.

The rest of the 24 teams—the No. 5-24 seeds—that make it to the state tournament will be determined by the final power-rankings compiled after the super sectional games.

Currently, if the Super Sectional II Tournament were to start tomorrow, the Aztecs would play Section 4's No. 4 ranked team, St. Mary's, in the first round. The other three teams from Section 4 would be Westview, Cesar Chavez and Central. The other three teams in Corona's Section 2 to compete would be Gilbert, Hamilton and Highland.

Regardless of whom the Aztecs play, coach Duane plans on hammering home to his team the same mantra that has been successful in their last two championships: It's the little things, such as being fundamentally sound and continuing to defend and go after every rebound that wins big games.

Corona Girls Soccer — Corona's girls soccer team, sporting a 9-6-3 record, earned the No. 10 seed in the Division I state tournament based mainly on the Lady Aztecs tough defense.

"Our strength this season and what has kept us in games is our goalkeeping and defensive effort by the whole team as a unit," said coach **Matt Smith**. "Our goalkeeper, **Lexi Bounds**, has been a real candidate for State Player of the Year."

The team did improve in its goal scoring to end the season, winning two out of its last three regular season games.

"We had a great end to the season, winning 2-0 over Flagstaff (No. 6 in Division II) and tying Ironwood Ridge 2-2 (No. 4 in Division II)," said

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Smith. "In between, we lost a heartbreaker on Senior Night to Desert Vista 2-1."

Other players who have stepped up their game have been **Liz Cheney** and **Lexi Reynoso**, according to Smith.

"Liz has been outstanding so far this season," said Smith. "Not that I didn't believe or expect she could be, but she has been remarkably consistent and has really been a rock for us in the back. Lexi Reynoso has also played exceptionally well this season."

Although the team has struggled to score goals, they Lady Aztecs have managed to find ways to win tight games according to Smith. This skill may take on more immediate importance when they square off against Hamilton, the No. 7 seed, in the first round of the state tournament Feb. 5.

Hamilton has scored 43 goals so far this season which is eight higher than the national average according to MaxPreps.com.

"Hamilton has been extremely successful over the past few years and we have played them very tight recently with



Lady Aztec Lexi Reynoso takes a defensive move, demonstrating the skill she's shown throughout the season. — Wrangler News photos by Billy Hardiman

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Residents invited to February budget forums

The City of Tempe will hold public forums in February to inform community members about projections for the city's operating and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budgets, and to hear their priorities for the 2014-15 fiscal year and beyond.

The upcoming fiscal year, which starts July 1, marks the end of the additional sales tax approved by voters and promised by the City Council to expire in 2014. Those funds contributed to the General Fund – the city's biggest operating fund – for four years

during the worst of the latest economic recession and helped the city avoid more extensive layoffs and service cuts. CIP projects range from major equipment replacements and street improvements to new facilities and building updates. They are budgeted separately from operating expenses, which include salaries, health benefits, and equipment and supplies.

The public forums will be held: Tuesday, Feb. 25, from 6-8 p.m., in the community room of the South Police Substation,

8201 S. Hardy Drive.

Wednesday, Feb. 26, from 6-8 p.m., in the Don Cassano Room on the second floor of the Tempe Transportation Center, 200 E. Fifth St. (Parking is in the city garage on the south side of Fifth Street, directly across from the Transportation Center.)

For updated details on the formulation of budgets for the 2014-15 fiscal year, as well as projected dates for City Council discussions and votes on both the operating and capital budgets, visit www.tempe.gov/budgetplan.

Public meetings to shape new character areas

The city is creating eight "character areas" representing the unique personalities of particular geographic parts of Tempe. The designations recognize areas and groups of neighborhoods that contain common land use, housing design and commercial characteristics that may be distinct from other parts of Tempe.

The City Council and city staff are working closely with each area's stakeholders – from residents and property owners to schools and businesses – to develop a plan for each character area.

The goal of the planning process is to develop a vision for each area starting with identifying its current assets and assessing its future needs.

Between this year and 2018, the city will focus on two areas per year, starting with Area 7

(Kiwanis/The Lakes) and Area 8 (Corona/South Tempe).

Area 7— An Area 7 kickoff meeting will be held Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 6:30 p.m., at Rover Elementary School, 1300 E. Watson Drive. A workshop also will be held Saturday, April 5, from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m., at Escalante Center, 2150 E. Orange St.

Area 8 — An Area 8 kickoff meeting will be held Monday, March 3, at 6:30 p.m., at Arizona Community Church, 9325 S. Rural Road. A workshop also will be held Saturday, April 5, from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m., at Escalante Center, 2150 E. Orange St.

For more information and a map of all the character areas, visit www.tempe.gov/characterareas.

Tempe sets Special Election for General Plan 2040

The City Council has set a May 20 Special Election to ask Tempe voters to ratify General Plan 2040.

As required by state law, cities must update their General Plans every 10 years and get voter approval. All General Plan documents reflect a community's vision for where it wants to go in the future; the documents are less specific than a given city's zoning and development code.

Tempe residents and other community members, such as property and business owners, have worked for more than a year at public meetings to update the city's General Plan 2030 to become General Plan 2040. The City Council adopted General Plan 2040 at its

Dec. 12 meeting, and set the election date through a formal vote at its Jan. 9 Regular Meeting. Arguments supporting or opposing General Plan 2040 that are to be published in the publicity pamphlet must be filed by Feb. 19. For details on requirements and costs to file an argument, contact the City Clerk's Office at clerk@tempe.gov 480-350-8241.

The deadline for voter registration is April 21. Early voting details will be announced soon. General Plan 2040 can be accessed at www.tempe.gov/GP2040.

Detailed information about this and other 2014 elections is available at www.tempe.gov/election.

Updated name for Tempe Fire better reflects its functions

In January, the city announced that the Tempe Fire Department updated its name to the Tempe Fire, Medical, Rescue Department in order to better communicate all the services it provides.

With six fire stations and more than 160,000 residents in Tempe, the department responds to all types of emergency situations here and in neighboring cities through a regional automatic aid agreement.

In 2013, more than 79 percent of Tempe Fire's 24,861 calls within the city were for medical-related purposes. The change better reflects the true nature of the department.

"We will continue to provide the same high-quality services to the public," said Chief Greg Ruiz.

"This is an exciting time for us with many new initiatives on the horizon and we must continue to be a proactive service provider.

The name update will provide

a clearer picture of the services we offer to the community."

The department name will be updated over five years on everything from trucks and equipment to stationary and business cards.

The estimated cost for the updates is \$10,000 over a five-year period. Many of the updates will be made only as equipment and uniforms are replaced.

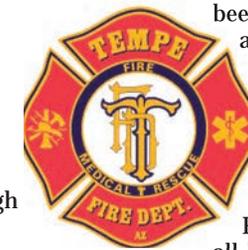
Similar name updates have been happening locally and nationally, as fire departments seek to ensure community members are aware of the evolving nature of the services they provide.

Tempe Fire, Medical, Rescue Department is an all-hazards department that

responds to a variety of incidents including fires, automobile accidents, medical emergencies, hazardous materials and technical rescues.

It also promotes emergency preparedness, fire prevention and life safety programs throughout the community. Information is available at www.tempe.gov/fire.

Follow the department on Twitter at @TempePoliceFire or on Facebook at TempePoliceandFire.



Kinney

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work when I'm done, so the viewer can see how I've used my brush. I don't want it to be photographic. But I like subject matter. I'm still what you'd call a subject-matter painter."

His favorite subject these days is landscape, but it has changed over the years with his experiences.

After a plein air event at a dude ranch, "I had a stretch there when I was doing a lot of horse paintings and riders and things like that."

One of his favorite paintings is of his two young sons exploring an old truck. Called "Pilot to Copilot," the work hangs in Raleigh and Darlene Kinney's bedroom.

His smaller paintings, framed, sell for \$650 to \$750. Medium-sized works sell in the range of \$1,600 to \$2,000. The largest painting in his studio, 30 inches by 40 inches, has a price tag of \$4,800.

Though original paintings often have investment value, he advises people against buying art for economic reasons.

"But I tell people when they buy an original that they should not be buying it for investment. They should be buying it because they love it, and that way they'll never be disappointed," he said.

'Say one thing'

Being an artist affects the way he sees the world. "We'll be driving and I'll say to Darlene, 'Wow, there's a painting. That old fence post right there with that old wheel leaning against it and with all the weeds growing up around it.' She sees the whole thing, she sees the farm in the background and the field, and I see the fence post with an old wheel leaning against it."

He tries to teach that way of seeing a painting to his beginning students.

"When you go out on location, they'll try to paint the whole world. You have to try to teach them to limit what they see and try to pick a focal point. Don't say too many things in this painting. Say one thing."

He calls the pattern of his three-day workshops "inside-out."

The first day is spent in the home studio, where he demonstrates painting beneath a large mirror, discusses his philosophy of painting, and takes questions from participants. Weather permitting, the second day is spent outside, "on location."

"It's good experience for them to go out and do a sketch," he said. "Primarily, when you go out on a location, what you're looking for is value: lights against darks, where your focal point is. What are you going to do with the background?"

On the third day, workshop participants return to the studio to paint, often using their plein air sketch. Raleigh and Darlene consider themselves "semi-retired," having scaled back the number of festivals, shows and workshops they take part in.

"You reach a time in your life when it's like a tidal wave," he said of his career. "That wave comes in and at its peak there's wonderful things going on and a lot of demand, and that recedes. New people arrive and they fill a new position, and that's kind of what happens."

"There's still a lot of interest in my work and in

my teaching. But you have to stay out there and you have to keep working. Out of sight, out of mind, so to speak."

Through all the ups and downs, though, Darlene has been an important partner at his side.

"She goes with me to a lot of functions and she becomes a part of the people that we meet, and she gets to know them," Raleigh said. "She comments later on those associations and makes suggestions. That particular thing helps an awful lot in a business like we have."

The Kinneys said they are not among the 1 to 2 percent of artists who become wealthy.

"When you do an art show, you don't know if you're going to make a dollar or if you're going to make \$2,000 or more," Darlene said.

But they have enjoyed the independence and freedom of running their own business and following their dream. For her, Darlene said, the reward has come in "just being able to work together, you know, and have a good marriage."

And, of course, to celebrate a Valentine's Day

with the same excitement they did 50 years ago.

For information about Raleigh Kinney's Feb. 10-12 and March 11-13 workshops at his home studio, and the upcoming fine arts shows in Scottsdale and Carefree sponsored by Thunderbird Artists, call 480-350-9375, write to rekwc@hotmail.com or visit www.kinneywatercolors.com.



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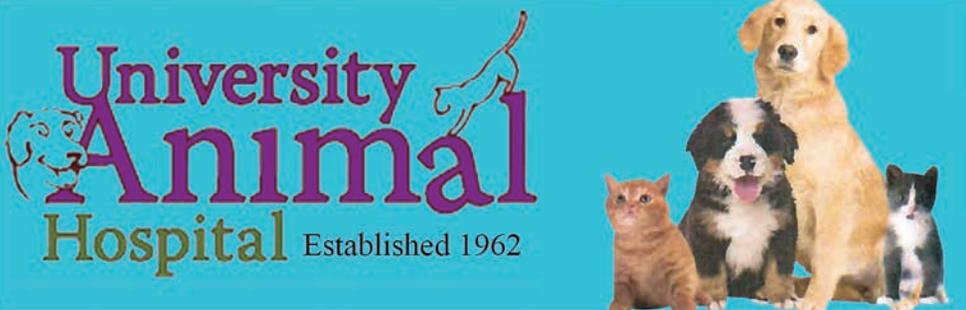
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Diversions

With M.V. Moorhead

Jewish Film Fest a diverse melange of themes, genres

An 18th birthday is an important occasion in any coming-of-age existence, as well as an impressive milestone for any film festival. But there may be a little extra cultural significance to this benchmark event of the Greater Phoenix Jewish Film Festival, which runs Feb. 9 through 23.

The number 18, you see, is traditionally connected to the Jewish conception of “Chai” (pronounced, roughly, “hi”), or “life.”

It’s related to a number of mystical Jewish beliefs.

So this year GPJFF’s press materials are full of Borscht-belt-worthy puns about what a “Chai-sterical” and “Chai-brow” time the fest is going to provide.

A glance at this year’s schedule does suggest a nice mix of movies both fun and challengingly serious, as befits a promising 18-year-old—mature, but still playful.

“We’re excited about this festival because it’s the first time we’ve run three weekends,” says GPJFF director Bob Segelbaum.

“It’s also the first time that we’re running two movies for kids. To be honest, our audience has been the elderly, so we’re trying to reach out to younger

people.”

The family-friendly films in question are Igor & the Cranes’ Journey, about the connection between a boy’s move from Russia to Israel and the migration of cranes, and the fanciful Dutch adventure The Zig Zag Kid, based on David Grossman’s novel about a boy getting caught up in the intrigues of his detective father’s life just days before the young teen’s Bar Mitzvah.

The fest is offering a special deal on these two features: buy one adult ticket and bring your kids for free (you must call 602-753-9366 to obtain this family pack deal; it’s not available online).

On the other hand, there are selections like Out in the Dark, about the relationship between an Israeli and a Palestinian, that are decidedly for mature audiences.

“I think we have a great diversity of films that appeal to all faiths, all leanings,” notes Segelbaum. “We have something for everybody.”

As in previous years the GPJFF holds showings at three venues.

Tempe and Chandler residents can take in the festival from Harkins Chandler Crossroads.

For West Valley moviegoers, it will be available at Harkins Arrowhead, and for the centrally located, the sadly soon-to-be-closed Harkins Camelview in Scottsdale.

For details about films, showtimes and tickets, check out gpjff.org.

The Lego Movie—Not only did I never have Lego building blocks as a kid, I don’t remember ever playing with them at school or at another kid’s house. I was an unlikely audience member for The Lego



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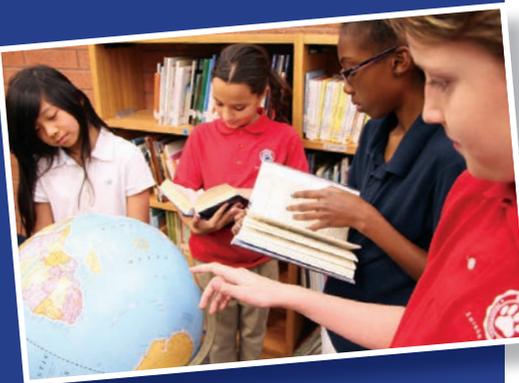


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Movie, which is why I was surprised to find myself laughing out loud at a lot of this computer-animated kids comedy-fantasy, and to walk out of it thinking that I seen something sort of brilliant—even thought-provoking.

In the generic Lego city of Bricksburg, rank-and-file construction worker Emmet, voiced by Chris Pratt, finds himself the object of a prophecy—he's told he's "The Special," the "Master Builder" who can save the (Lego) universe from schemes of the tyrannical President Business (Will Ferrell).

The trouble is that Emmet is an enthusiastic conformist who wants only to follow the instructions and fit in.

This leads to a fast-moving and extremely complex, but as far as I could tell seamlessly thought-out, adventure involving everybody from a wizard (Morgan Freeman) to a woman of action (Elizabeth Banks) to a "Unikitty" (unicorn/kitty hybrid) to licensed characters like Batman (Will Arnett, growling amusingly) Superman (Channing Tatum) and the Green Lantern (Jonah Hill) to a villainous Bad Cop with a pleasant Good Cop on the other side of his swiveling head (both are voiced by Liam Neeson).

Much good comedy is derived from the limited range of motion possible for rigid Lego figures, and the dialogue is witty, too.

Yet the movie manages, without so much as a wisp of pretentiousness, to hint at some troubling allegorical resonances about conformity and creativity in human society.

One final note to this issue's column:

It was miserable to learn, on Super Bowl Sunday, of the death, at 46, of Philip Seymour Hoffman. The word "great" gets thrown around a little too liberally in popular criticism, and I'm sure I've been guilty of this, but I mean it when I say that Hoffman was a great actor.

Just a day or two before he passed on I had been thinking about how oddly lovable he was as Art Howe in 2011's Moneyball, and what a top-notch artist he was.

Hoffman will be remembered for his star turns in high dramas like Capote and The Savages and Doubt, and rightly so.

But I think I, and probably many other movie lovers, may treasure his eccentric, vibrant supporting parts in

stuff like Charlie Wilson's War and Nobody's Fool and Boogie Nights and The Big Lebowski and, especially, as Lester Bangs in Almost Famous even more.

He had much more great acting in him—he should have lived to old age,

and become one of those indestructible character actors like Olivier or Gielgud or Morgan Freeman, who just keep showing up and making stupid action and sci-fi movies worth sitting through.

The loss is infuriating and heartbreaking.

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a couple of one goal losses and a couple of ties, so we expect a tight match that we definitely believe we can come out on the right side of," said Smith.

"The rating scores are so close in this tournament that I think you can throw the seeds out in a lot of cases and the winner will just be whoever plays the best that night and I believe our game with Hamilton fits that situation."

Corona Girls Basketball — The Lady Aztecs could have cemented their chances of making it into the state tournament this season with a big win over Perry Feb. 3. They defeated the Pumas 49-43. Most importantly, the win moved Corona into the No. 17th spot in the power rankings with two regular season games remaining. The top 24 teams play in the Division I state tournament.

"Our team has continued to improve over the season," said coach **Andrew Strom**. "We won some tight games a couple of weeks ago, Mountain Ridge by two and Gilbert by seven in overtime, but beating Perry and moving into the No. 17 spot helped improve our chances of getting to play in the state tournament."

Corona's last two games of the regular season could go either way, but on paper the Lady Aztecs' game at home against Desert Ridge Feb. 4 looked winnable.

The Jaguars, sporting an 8-17 record, only average 35.9 points a game, while the Lady Aztecs, with a 13-11 record average, close to 48 points a game.

The Lady Aztecs have seniors **Taylor Kalmer** and **Sammi Moore**, who are great team leaders for their young players, according to Strom. It helps too that Kalmer is the leading scorer on the team, averaging over 20 points a game.

"**Leilani Peat** is getting better every day, plus **Haley Langille** and **Bri Bell** have had some good weeks lately," said Strom. "We missed **Hannah Lauer**, who had been playing well before spraining her ankle against Mountain Ridge Jan. 16, but **Naomi Chee** and **Kahara Hodges** have continued to give us a positive boost off the bench."

Corona's last chance to move up in the rankings was Feb. 6 at Red Mountain. The team, with a similar record at 12-11 early in the week, could also provide a chance for the Lady Aztecs to increase their rankings.

Corona Wrestling — The Aztec wrestling team won its last four team matches of the regular season, preparing to compete at the Section IV Tournament on Feb. 8 at Skyline before heading off to Prescott Valley for the Division I State Tournament Feb. 12-15 at Tim's Toyota Center.

"I believe our team is ready for the section tournament on Saturday," said coach Jim Martinez. "Our goal is to qualify all 11 of our wrestlers, but our leaders in their weight classes will be **Glenn Farina**, **Ethan Tursini**, **Bridger Barker**, **Michael Clare** and **Marc Farina**."

Glenn Farina and Ethan Tursini are both returning state champions who lead in their weight classes and who will attempt to defend their state titles at the Division I state tournament.

Corona defeated Desert Ridge, 57-18 and Westwood 65-6 in a dual meet on Jan. 22 and then



Latest round of signings of national letters of intent, which signify athletic scholarships to the college of the student's) choice, took place Feb. 5 at Corona del Sol High School. Among signers were, from left, front row, Travis Longacre, football, Mesa Community College; Lexi Bounds, soccer, Arizona State University; and Tom Turley, football, Adams State. Back row, Tevin Mayfield, track, Colorado State; Logan Dubek, basketball, Sarah Lawrence College of New York; Nate Rodriguez, cross country, Iowa State; and Reed Burroughs, golf, College of Idaho.

— Photos, above and below, by Kris Cartwright

Coach Jim Martinez presided over a ring ceremony for returning state champions **Glenn Farina**, left, and **Ethan Tursini**. Farina and Tursini lead their weight classes as they head into the region tournament.



Highland 59-12 and Chandler 42-33 on Jan. 30.

Hunter Carmona, **Omar Aguirre**, **Matt Churchill** and **Ryan Spadafore** all pinned their opponents, while **Ryan Farina**, **Ethan Tursini** and **Bridger Barker** won by major decision and **Michael Clare** by technical falls in the Aztecs' win over Highland.

Against Chandler, Tursini, Clare and **Dylan Kronborg** all pinned their opponents, while Barker

and **Darius Ryan** both won by decision.

The team is now ready for the Division 1, Section IV tournament.

The goal was to qualify everyone for state. Realistically, the goal was set at 11.

Leaders in their weight classes are Glenn Farina, Ethan Tursini, Bridger Barker, Michael Clare and Marc Farina.

Briefly . . .

'Taste of Kyrene' coming Feb. 28

The Kyrene Foundation is hosting its fourth annual *Taste of Kyrene* event to raise money for families in need. Officials say the 25 schools within the district, there are nearly 350 homeless students that need help.

These children deserve the tools required to be successful in their education, which is why the foundation's sole purpose is to raise sufficient funds.

Last year alone the *Taste of Kyrene* raised more than \$38,000 for the foundation. T

The event includes select food and beverage tastings provided by the Foothills Golf Club, Brown & Brothers Catering, Straight to the Plate Catering, Four Peaks Brewing Company, Von Hanson's Meats, Culver's, Nothing Bundt Cakes and Southwest Foods.

Proceeds will be allocated as needed to Prevention Services, Kyrene Family Resource Center, character education, the Kyrene Alternative-to-Suspension Program, student scholarships, mini-grants to teachers and employee and student recognition programs.

The event will take place on Friday, Feb. 28 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Foothills Golf Club.

Tickets are available in advance for \$35 at www.tasteofkyrene.org or at the door for \$50.

For more information contact Jamie Ernst at 310-795-9587 or jamiernst@live.com.

Bike heroes to be recognized

Mayor Mark Mitchell will recognize Ryan and Jennifer Guzy, recipients of the 2014 Tempe Bike Hero Award, Thursday, Feb. 13, in ceremonies at Tempe City Council Chambers.

The award honors individuals and organizations who aid in increasing awareness of bicycling and promote it as a viable mode of transportation.

The Tempe Transportation Commission made the selection. The two were nominated for their commitment to bicycling.

As president of the Tempe Bicycle Action Group from 2008 to 2012, Ryan significantly modernized the organization.

Working together, they were instrumental in growing the Tour de Fat bike ride to more than 10,000 participants while raising \$80,000 annually for local non-profit organizations.

Each year, Jennifer coordinates roughly 200 volunteers for the event, said to be one of the largest and best run Tour de Fat events in the country.

She also spearheads the annual bicycle count, which assigns volunteers to count the biking population at key intersections in Tempe.

Ryan created new ways for the bicycle community to get involved in city government by creating a community forum with City Council candidates. He was also a member of the General Plan 2040 Community Working Group and is active in bicycle-related projects in Tempe.

Free tickets for Taste of Tempe

The city of Tempe has provided two free tickets, valued at \$118, to its Taste of Tempe event on Feb. 9, and *Wrangler News* is sharing them with the first reader to call our office precisely at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7.

The winner will be able to pick up the tickets at will call the night of the event.

Good luck!

Temple Emanuel pre-school starts registration for 2013-14

The Syndi Scheck Yad B'Yad Preschool at Temple Emanuel of Tempe is beginning registration for the 2013-14 school year.

The school offers low child-to-teacher ratios, with skilled teachers, an enriching curriculum, after-school activities and more.

A Registration Kick-off Pajama

Party and "Breakfast for Dinner Potluck" is planned at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14, in the multipurpose room.

Guests are asked to RSVP with a pot-luck item (nut-free and dairy only) to Leslie Scheck, the preschool director, at leslie@emanueloftempe.org, or 480-838-1414, ext. 20.

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The Tempe Diablos stage their annual charity game at 1:05 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, when the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim take on the Texas Rangers.

Proceeds from ticket sales, parking, concessions and merchandise from the game will go to the Tempe Diablos local charities.

This year's game will support Rachel's Challenge, an organization that works to combat bullying in schools.

Based on the life and writings of Rachel Joy Scott who was a victim of the Columbine school shooting in 1999, Rachel's Challenge was created to equip and inspire students to replace violence, bullying and negativity with respect, kindness and compassion.

One of the largest school-based character development programs in the nation, Rachel's Challenge visited more than 2,200 schools last year.

Diablos members have created grants to bring the program into Tempe schools.

Tickets are on sale at www.ticketmaster.com or can be purchased at the Tempe Diablo box office beginning Feb. 15.

Tempe Diablo Stadium is at 2200 W. Alameda Drive. Visit www.tempe.gov/diablo for information on games, tickets, stadium hours, directions and parking.

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Winners will be announced in early 2015.

Summit school open house

The Summit School of Ahwatukee will hold an open house for middle school, elementary and preschool classes, along with the annual student art exhibit, on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Summit is a nationally accredited private school with national, state and local recognition for programs and teachers.

Kindergarten through eighth grades include lab science, art, architecture and design, Spanish, music, technology and PE, with a focus on literature and language arts. Middle school teaches high-school-level math, and elementary classes provide differentiated instruction in math and reading. Preschool classes include Spanish, music, art, tumbling and library class. A low student-teacher ratio allows for hands-on, experiential learning.

The open house schedule runs from 4:45 to 7:30 p.m. Summit School is at 4515 E. Muirwood, Ahwatukee.

Information: 480-403-9500.

KIDS ON BOARD

THE JOYS — AND CHALLENGES — OF A ONETIME EDITOR'S JOB AS A SCHOOL BUS DRIVER

BY CHELSEA MARTIN

When accolades are handed out, school bus drivers are easy to overlook, even though their seemingly behind-the-scenes stamina, dedication and, yes, sometimes heroism, form a vital part of a child's school experience.

West Chandler resident Sandy Lynch, a onetime chief editor at Channel 5 News, has been a Kyrene district bus driver for the past seven years, dedicating much of her workday to ensuring the safety of students.

On school days, Lynch starts driving at 6:30 a.m., breaking from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m., then starting back up until her shift ends around 5. She drives the same route every day, reaching Mirada, Manitas and Pueblo schools. The average ride is 20-30 minutes.

For safety, each child is assigned a specific seat, the younger ones closer to the front within easy view of the driver.

"Each year, if they're good, they are able to move back a row," Lynch said. The school and the bus driver retain a copy of the seating chart, a policy aimed at making it easier for the school and the police in case of an emergency.

Lynch enjoys her position and says it's partly a result of having a strategy and sticking to it.

"I am firm but fair," Lynch said. "I make an effort to have fun with them. I turn up the music really loud and let them dance off the bus. I joke around with them. I listen to them."

Sometimes the children need an outlet to express their thoughts; a bus driver is the perfect candidate for sharing.

"They talk to you if something went wrong at school or if they're upset about something," Lynch said. "I tell them: Tomorrow's going to be a better day."

During a reporter's ride to better understand the dynamics of how Lynch's system works, all

seemed to go as planned. Aside from a few minor incidents where a child was standing in the aisle, the children were well behaved.

"For the most part they are really good," Lynch said. "They write me notes and cards and bring me Christmas gifts. They tell me, 'You're the best bus driver ever.'"

Although driving a school bus is no walk in the park, it is an exceptional job with an array of diverse benefits, according to Lynch.

"Bus driving is a perfect position for someone who likes kids, likes to get involved and enjoys listening to the children's stories," she said.

"It's a wonderful job for stay-at-home moms or dads because you get off at the same time as your children."

The Kyrene bus-driver training program seems well constructed, starting with a full week of training in the classroom. That part of the program takes 2½ to 3 weeks.

The trainee next shadows a current driver, whose job it is to teach the intricacies of the job and ways to handle various common situations. A final ride-along allows for some real-life experience, followed by testing for issuance of a commercial drivers license.

Lynch reflected on the daily struggles of her job, realizing the size of her yellow behemoth is hardly the issue.

"The driving-the-bus part is easy; it's the student management that's hard," Lynch said.

When she finishes her shift, Lynch looks forward to the next day, saying she knows she is making an impact in a positive and supportive way.

"It's very rewarding working with the kids because they have so much energy. It's fun getting to know them, and at the end of the day they consider the bus an extension of the classroom," Lynch said.

"This is one of my favorite jobs ever."



— Wrangler News photo by Billy Hardiman

The Kyrene school district maintains an ongoing recruitment for bus drivers. For more information visit www.kyrene.org or call 480-541-1000.

Tekkies to get a double jolt of fun at combined Geeks' Night Out, Geek Week coming to Tempe

Robots, Wonder Woman, solar energy and Tempe school-science experiments all come together in one funky ball of kinetic energy for Geeks' Night Out and Geek Week, presented by the Walton Sustainability Solutions Initiative.

The city of Tempe and Downtown Tempe Community are blending science, technology and fun to celebrate the Arizona SciTech Festival.

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Geeks and geek-wannabees can be part of a special Third Thursday on Mill Avenue from 4:30 to 9 p.m. Feb. 20, themed to bring out the curiosity within.

Phoenix Comicon, Desert Dolls Roller Derby, Arizona Tardis of Dr. Who fame and other cosplay groups will be there to add the fun to the science.

The event is family-friendly and, best of all, it's free.

Tempe students from preschool to the university level will have several booths showing how the next generation of skilled workers will use science to solve the world's problems (see related story on Page 10).

Jeremy Babendure, director of the Arizona SciTech Festival, calls this kind of event "sneaky science."

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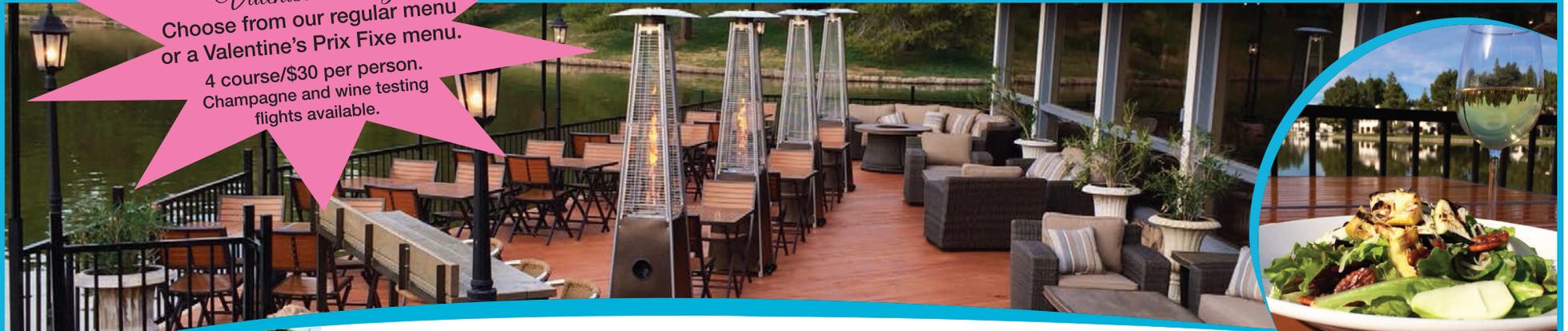


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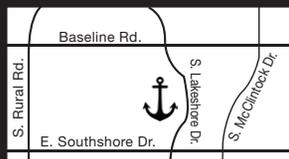
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Beating the odds

Two Kyrene schools, principals earn gold awards for impressive academic gains

By Diana Whittle

Two elementary schools in the Kyrene district demonstrated an Olympic-like feat and grabbed the gold as a “Beat the Odds” school.

Both Kyrene de los Manitas in Tempe and Kyrene de las Lomas in Ahwatukee have principals who participated in a mentoring and training program sponsored by the Beat the Odds Institute, an initiative of the Center for the Future of Arizona.

The center is a nonprofit whose mission is to help Arizonans shape and define the future through an action-oriented agenda focused on contemporary issues and topics critical to the state.

Guided by former ASU president Lattie Coor, the group focuses its research on student achievement.

“We were one of only two schools in the state to achieve the gold level of performance, as rated through the Beat the Odds program,” said Manitas Principal Dan Langston.

To be eligible for the top rating, both schools and principals must earn a “B” or better grade from the Arizona Department of Education and show improved AIMS scores over three years.

“Both Lomas and Manitas were asked and agreed to participate by Gina Taylor (a Kyrene assistant superintendent),” said Langston.

“One of the major reasons is because we have a greater percentage of minority students than many

Kyrene schools, and this is the idea behind Beat the Odds—that schools with Latino and low-income families can be academically successful and meet the needs of all children.”

Based upon methodology from best-selling author Jim Collins, Beat the Odds is a rigorous, multi-year school improvement program that focuses on K-12 schools where at least 50 percent of the students are on free or reduced lunch and at least 50 percent are minority, primarily Latino.



Dan Langston

“At Manitas we had to accept that our demographics changed a great deal in the past 10 years and that we had not changed as the needs and demands of our children had changed,” explained Langston.

He says that most of the big changes have taken place

over the last three years and include:

- Collaboration between teachers—“It is non-negotiable that all teachers collaborate with their peers and grade-level teams. This includes weekly team meetings with set agendas that are based on student learning and teacher planning.”

- Use of Data Driven Assessments—“All grade level teams identify essential standards and create

formative assessments to track student learning and mastery.”

- Support Career and College Readiness Standards—“All of our collaboration and formative assessments are centered on and follow career and college guidelines.” A student’s response to the changes is to be more actively engaged in learning, says Langston, and that leads to more rigorous work.

Dr. Marjorie Kaplan, executive director of Beat the Odds Institute, said:

“Our award winners demonstrate that demography is not destiny. They have overcome obstacles and improved academic performance through their commitment to our Six Keys to Success.”

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- A strong and steady principal;
- A clear bottom line;
- Ongoing assessment;
- Collaborative solutions;
- A program built on individual student needs;

and

- A commitment to stick with the program. “Successful schools do things differently and don’t make excuses,” Kaplan said.

Participation in Beat the Odds, now in its seventh year, is open to K-12 public, charter and tribal schools throughout the state.

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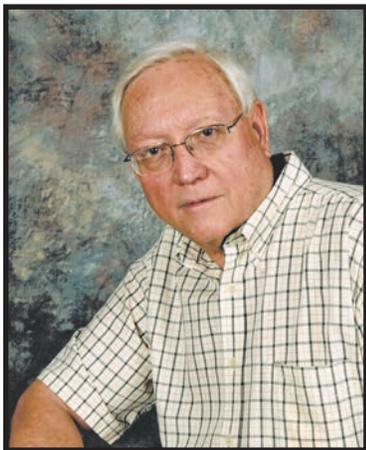
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could work to strengthen even further the relationship we've developed with our community these past 25 years.

In a way, we agreed, becoming part of the glue that bonds all of us—families, neighbors, business owners—seems to have been so easy. It's what we've accomplished by subscribing to the notion of being there for each other.

That, at least, is what we've tried to do. It's how we view the world around us, and we hope it's how our little local world views us.

For the most part, those of you reading this already know our philosophy of publishing news that reinforces the neighbor-to-neighbor connection. And you repay this commitment by telling local business owners and others that you look to Wrangler News not only as an authoritative source of insight into your community but as an integral piece of the fabric that holds these neighborhoods of ours together.

We were sitting around the office as January rolled to a close, realizing that the arrival of a new year had, by then, already become old news.

The usual annoyances—discovering who we'd inadvertently left off our gift lists, remailing the checks imprinted with dates that had been relegated to the graveyard of a year gone by—seemed by themselves to have been all but forgotten.

So not surprisingly our thoughts turned to the landscape of 11 promising months ahead, a time during which we

If you're one of those who already share with others your belief in the mission of Wrangler News, we offer our real and heartfelt thanks. If that thought hasn't occurred to you—if you haven't told others how important you view the existence of a truly hometown newspaper—we hope you'll consider doing so.

Not a single one of us, either in the media business or as part of today's larger society, isn't aware of the difficulties facing many newspapers today. The bigger they are, apparently, the harder they fall. And for that reason some businesses see newspapers as a dying relic of mass communication, the dinosaurs that ultimately will vanish in an informational Ice Age.

That's not how we see it.

Our newspaper and other small ones around the Valley are experiencing steady growth. Many of the businesses that come to us for the first time tell of social media and other strategies that at first appear to have appeal but ultimately fail to produce results or generate customer loyalty. Abundant are the customers who will visit when a discount is offered but dart elsewhere when another offer seems better.

We believe that businesses, especially those in our particular corner of the Valley, can gain by recognizing that community newspapers are what's being read in today's complex mix of media offerings.

Community newspapers, whether ours or others with the same values, don't just sell a merchant's fleeting

low price. They can help paint a picture of the real people who own small businesses. They can partner with those businesses to tell a three-dimensional story, not just become a blip on a smartphone.

We've survived, yes, even flourished, through these 25 years by viewing our relationship with the community as a partnership, a two-way collaborative in which both parties gain—us through advertising dollars to continue publishing community news, business owners by giving their public an inside look at what makes them special, what sets them apart.

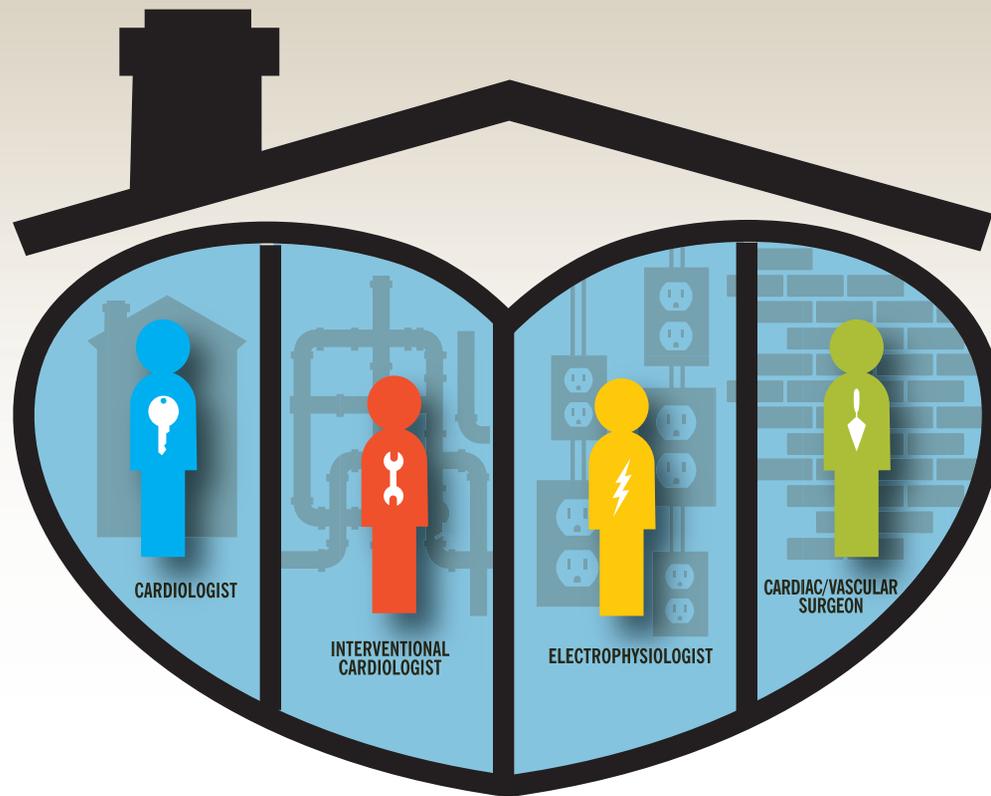
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— Don Kirkland
Founder & President

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