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Bike Heroes all

Eric Iwerson, right, shown in a 2009 photo, and Tempe Councilman Leonard Copple, who died of leukemia last year at age 68, have been recognized as ardent advocates of Tempe's ascendancy toward premier status among the nation's most bicycle-friendly communities. Iwerson's continuing work on bike-related projects, and his selection as Tempe's 2011 Bike Hero, are detailed on Page 4.



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Chandler Fire launches citywide campaign after spike in child drownings



Chandler Fire Chief Jeff Clark addressed the City Council at its meeting March 7, displaying an enlargement of a door hanger that will be used in a new drowning-prevention campaign initiated by the Chandler Fire Department.

— Photo courtesy Chandler Fire Department

Chandler firefighters have undertaken a massive campaign to reach every home in the city by the end of this month to help curtail what they say appears to be an alarming increase in the number of child drownings.

Fire Chief Jeff Clark said he personally would oversee the effort, initiated after reports of five drownings in the first 10 weeks of this year. Three of the incidents were pool related, one occurred in a bathtub and one in a neighborhood lake. The city typically has five drownings or near-drownings in an entire year.

Firefighters plan to deliver warning information to 80,000 homes; they also operated a booth at this year's Ostrich Festival, where 100,000 visitors were expected.

Batt. Chief Paul Nies, who will help coordinate the door-to-door campaign, said experience suggests a correlation between heightened education and a reduction in pediatric drowning incidents.

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'Taste of Kyrene' yields \$45k; 'best-ever' results

By Mark Crudup

This year's Taste of Kyrene hit a new milestone: it was the Kyrene Foundation's most successful fundraiser ever. It also represented the first time in recallable history that a single, \$10 bid by a local city council member netted the top auction prize, a weeklong Puerto Vallarta vacation.

With 400 guests at the Feb. 24 event, district volunteers, primed and prodded by MarJean Steinkamp, raised more than \$45,000 through ticket sales, auctioned-off baskets, raffle tickets and silent-auction treasures, the latter of which accounted for \$20,000 of the total.

Superintendent Dr. David Schauer addressed the guests, noting several major programs had been imple-

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Secret to success: 'Teacher and child who believe in each other'

New Tempe schools chief seen as one who puts kids first



Christine Busch: Kids capable of 'amazing feats'

By Alison Stanton

When Christine Hoddy Busch began her career in public education almost 35 years ago, she brought along a philosophy that is near and dear to her heart: that all children can learn and be successful if they are given the right set of tools.

During the last three-plus decades, Busch has witnessed the truth of these words many times over.

From her early years in education, working in Michigan and Nevada, to the past 23 years in the Tempe Elementary School District in assignments ranging from teacher to vice principal to principal and more, Busch sees every day how children are capable of the most amazing feats when given the opportunity, as well as when they have a teacher who believes in them.

"I have seen incredible things with children over the years, and I've seen the difference that having a great teacher can make," she said.

"Whether the child is coming from poverty or arrives with lots of

tools in his toolbox at school, both the teacher and the child have to believe in themselves."

This summer, Busch, who currently serves as the Tempe district's associate superintendent and executive director for human resources, will bring this philosophy to her new role as district superintendent. In early March, the school board announced that Busch would take over the position currently held by Dr. Arthur Tate, effective July 1.

Looking back to her childhood, Busch said she always knew she wanted to work with children in some capacity.

"I was the oldest of five, and I babysat for everyone," she said. "I've always taken care of children, so it was something I knew I wanted to do in some way."

While Busch said being named superintendent represents a huge honor for her, she confessed that when Tate approached her with the idea, she "thought about it for a very long time."

"Being a superintendent in a

school district in Arizona brings a lot of responsibility with it," she said.

"I wanted to make sure this was the right decision for the district. I wanted to be sure I would be the right leader, and I thought a lot about how I want to set us up for moving forward."

In her new role, Busch said she plans to be out in the community, learning from people about what they feel the district does well, and how and where it can improve.

"I want to listen to teachers, classified staff, principals and directors, and learn what their dreams and visions are," she said.

"The people in the district have great ideas."

Dr. David Schauer, superintendent of the Kyrene School District, was quick to agree with the neighboring district's choice of Busch.

"They made an excellent decision," he said.

"I have known Chris through the years, and she is a caring and compassionate leader who always puts

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Cover story: Eric Iwersen

Tempe honors planner with 'Bike Hero' award

By Mark Crudup

Tempe is on the forefront of establishing a more bicycle-friendly environment with its continuation of neighborhood and canal pathway projects that will increase safety and comfort for local bikers.

"We've had a positive response from the community," said Eric Iwersen, Tempe senior planner. "It gives not just bicyclists but all residents options on how to get around town."

Iwersen is the 2011 recipient of Tempe's Bike Hero award, based on his efforts to organize bicycle-related events, his advocacy of bike-friendly roads and his success in negotiating federal grant money for bike-related projects in Tempe.

The most recent project he oversaw was the development of pathways being constructed along Knox Road, just west of Rural Road, Iwersen said.

"It's more of a small-scale streetscape project that hopefully we will add to in the future," said Shelly Seyler, Tempe's lead traffic engineer. "It's a traffic-calming project, designed to slow traffic with two elements – one is a choker to

narrow the width of the street and one is a raised crosswalk outside of Kyrene de la Mariposa (school)."

Last year, Tempe completed the Western Canal multi-use path, opening six miles of a paved, lighted pathway from Arizona Mills mall to Price Road. The construction included a new intersection featuring a beacon-light system to reduce traffic and bike interference.

"We've been implementing all of those facilities around town, using the canals to connect people to parks, schools and other public places," Iwersen said. "We are looking at closing in some of the gaps in our pathway system."

"Tempe is trying to make the street system greener, more sustainable."

Overall, Tempe has undertaken projects on Rio Salado Parkway, Papago Park, Grand Canal just north of the Salt River, Tempe Canal running along the Tempe-Mesa border and Kyrene Canal, Iwersen said.

Traffic calming is one of the main concerns of any project, with an aim of increasing safety for local bicyclists, Iwersen said.

"I would say that the larger picture is about investing in neighborhoods and helping to support residents for more attractive, more accessible streets," he said. "I think there are a lot of opportunities."

In addition to constructing pathways, Tempe uses other strategies to add comfort for bicyclists.

"Trees will provide shade, so it makes it physically cooler for bicyclists," he said.

"It also has the effect of making the area look a little calmer. Even if you have the same amount of asphalt, it gives a narrowing, calming affect."

City officials focus on neighborhoods with more traffic congestion to provide a safer atmosphere for bicyclists.

"We try to re-characterize a street that normally had faster-moving traffic with no bicycle facilities by narrowing vehicle streets, putting in bike lanes and adding trees," Iwersen said.

Iwersen's work isn't finished, however.

"Our intention is to pursue federal dollars to build pathways on every canal in Tempe," he said.

Tempe Diablos gearing up for Casino Capers

Members of Tempe Diablos will hold their annual Casino Capers event Saturday, April 16, continuing a Tempe tradition where guests can enjoy an evening of beverages, great food and Las Vegas-style games.

It is one of the Diablos' biggest fundraising events of the year, with proceeds benefiting the organization's community-oriented charitable programs.

The event's location has yet to be announced; however, more information is available at www.casino-capers.org/capers/About-Casino-Capers.php.

Diablos President Scott Agnew said the organization has continued over the years to enhance Tempe's quality of life through community-oriented projects.

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Kyrene Corridor *Briefs*

Chandler Regional doctors and their counterparts at Mercy Gilbert will put their dancing shoes—and their on-stage bravado—to the test April 9 at the third Dancing with the Docs fundraiser at Chandler Center for the Arts.

Designed after the popular ABC-TV show Dancing with the Stars, the event involves local doctors, partnering with professional dancers, to compete for a People's Choice Award.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit the hospitals' Office of Continuing Medical Education.

"CME activities and events are designed to enhance quality and care for our communities," said Dr. Terry Hapel, chief medical officer for Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert Medical Centers. Community residents are invited to attend the evening of cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and dancing entertainment. An accompanying silent auction, being conducted in partnership with Chandler Education Association, begins at 5:30 p.m.; the dance competition follows from 7 to 10 with a VIP after-party from 10 to 11.

The doctor dancers are M.D.s Ruth Bristol; Rimma Finkel; Mytia McNeal; Clyde Mendonca; Pratik Patel; Jennifer Shaw; Jesse Shriki; Rohit Sud; Andi Wolff; Alexis Woods; and Emily Zaragoza-Lao.

The judges are Chandler Regional President and CEO Patty White; Mercy Gilbert President and CEO Tim Bricker; and Dr. Edgar Hernandez.

Information: www.DancingWithTheDocs.com.

A team consisting of Martin Rhey, Jordan Hines, Ricky Hsu and Rohil Hatakar, students at **Paragon Science Adademy** in west Chandler, placed third among 16 competitors at Mathcounts, which tests students statewide in math skills. Their coach was Begench Owezov.

The group competes again at Cienega High School in Vail on March 19.

In the last two weeks, **Furniture Affair East** has collected more than \$1,000 in donations to help fund research for inflammatory breast cancer.

The funds were generated as a result of the store's decision to offer half off any piece of framed art, with a \$10 donation from each sale going toward the cause.

The same offer continues through April 16.

Furniture Affair East, which specializes in the resale of model-home furnishings, is located at 1746 W. Ruby Drive, Tempe.

Information: (602) 863-9955.

Hackett House raised \$3,040—\$600 more than last year—at its Mardi Gras event held March 4. Ninety-five guests, 20 Hackett House volunteers, 10 parents of last year's Sister City delegation and eight student delegates attended.

This year, 32 high school juniors will be making a five-week exchange visit to Tempe Sister Cities: Skopje, Macedonia; Regensburg, Germany; Lower Hutt, New Zealand; Zhenjiang, China; Carlow, Ireland; Beaulieu Sur Mer, France; Cuenca, Ecuador; and Trollhattan, Sweden.

The students will return with their counterparts for another five weeks.

Hackett House Director Dolores Salhuana said fundraising will continue throughout the year, concluding with Sister Cities' sponsorship of Oktoberfest to raise any remaining funds needed to pay for the students' travel.

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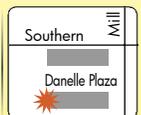


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'Taste'

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mented in years past as a result of efforts by the Kyrene Foundation, a not for profit 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization that sponsored this year's event.

Proceeds from the glitzy, \$80-per-couple event, held at Ashley Manor in west Chandler, will benefit all 25 Kyrene schools and the Kyrene Family Resource Center.

Funding will go to various preventive efforts; staff-, student- and friend-recognition and awards; and student scholarships for extra-curricular and student-enrichment programs such as sports, arts and academic support.

Tempe Councilman Corey Woods won the raffle's grand prize of an \$1,800 Puerto Vallarta vacation, not including transportation; George Keeley won the North Pole Experience vacation.

Overall, the event was considered a major success for the district that Schauer said will help Kyrene schools to maintain existing programs and implement new ones, all focused on increasing the educational experience for students.

Among providers of meals at a smorgasbord of chef stations were Chef Shortay (Alyssa Miller), Chelsea's Custom Cakes, Fired Up Grill, Honey Bear's BBQ, Rubio's Fresh Mexican Grill, Pita Jungle, Vincitorio's, Von Hanson's Meat Market, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Great Harvest Bread Co., Rock Bottom, Macayo's Mexican Kitchen, Dunkin' Donuts, Jason's Deli, Thai Basil, Jimmy and Joe's Pizzeria, Chick-fil-A Chandler Festival, Sweet Tomatoes, Jamba Juice,

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Sports Notebook . . . with Alex Zener

Boys Vball could see another big game-winning season

Corona's boys volleyball squad returned seven players from last year's 20-game-winning team, at least three of whom are expected to have a strong impact on this year's matches.

"**Jake Nuneviller** is going to provide our team with leadership and consistency in the setting position," said head coach Brynne Evans.



"We also returned **Alex Davis**, outside hitter, who shows great strength during clutch plays and leads the rest of the team by example. He could be our main go-to player. **Charlie Haulde**

should give us a lot of offensive opportunities with his strong defensive plays."

Other returning varsity players include **Kyle Niemtschk**, opposite, **Blake Pendleton**, defensive specialist, **Scott Burdick**, middle blocker, and **Peter Rueckle**, middle blocker.

That leaves seven new players, which can be both good and bad, according to Evans.

"We have a mix of experienced and beginning players, which creates a

unique dynamic in practice," said Evans. "We're working on consistency with our returners and skill development with our new players."

One new player Evans may find especially promising is 6-foot-8 **Matthew Seall**, at the middle blocker position. Both Seall and junior, 6-foot-3 **Zac von Allworden** decided this year, as juniors, to try volleyball.

Other new varsity players include **Sean Zwenger**, **Sean Hughes**, **Matt Lim**, **Gabe Encinas** and **Danyal Kadi**.

Evans is expecting the Central region to be tough again this year, with Gilbert, Highland, Mesquite and Mesa Mountain View as the Aztecs' most challenging matchups. No wonder Mountain View, Gilbert and Mesquite were recently ranked as the top five 5A teams in the state along with Brophy and Mountain Pointe. Expect some switching in the ranks, however, according to Evans.

"I think that the top-ranked teams will constantly be changing," said Evans. "In the end, the team on top will be the team that is most consistent and makes adjustments quickly."

Corona was mentioned in a recent article as one of a slew of teams that could climb up the rankings. Evans

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children first in any decisions that have to be made," he said.

"Chris is also a progressive- and forward-thinking educator who is open to innovative approaches and strategies in teaching and learning, which is such an important quality in the present era."

Busch said she knows that her new job will bring its share of challenges, from economic stress and budget cuts to occasional lack of support from the community.

But she also knows that, at the end of the day, "regardless of what the legislature says or what the people say, the buses come, the teachers teach, and the children have a brighter future because we are all educating them the best way we can with the tools that we have."

Workshop teaches Scouts public-speaking skills

Eleven scouts from Tempe, Chandler and Phoenix graduated from Boy Scout Troop 697's Toastmasters Youth Leadership program during a public-speaking showcase March 10 at St. James Episcopal Church.

Scouts who participated were, from Tempe: Matt Bradley, Eric Christensen and Carter Marshall; from Chandler: Garrett Axelsen, John Hutchins, James Hutchins, Alan Sands, Tyler Thompson and Vincent West; from Phoenix: Will Gray and Maxsim Mudryj.

The program was sponsored by Toastmasters, an international non-profit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills.

The workshop was designed especially for young people, providing an opportunity for the scouts to show members of the troop, friends and family what they had learned over the eight-week session.

Each delivered a speech on a subject of his choice. Scouts selected such topics as the history and culture of Tempe, geology, overcoming fear, soccer, hockey and the challenges posed by learning Japanese.

The scouts who spoke ranged in age from 11 to 16. In addition to the Toastmasters award, scouts earned the Boy Scout Public Speaking Merit Badge; with the completion of a few outside requirements, two of the scouts, Eric Christensen and Will Gray also earned the Communications Merit Badge.

Said Troop 697 Scoutmaster Mark Moorehead:

"It is important to note that three of the participants in the workshop were scouts who had already attained the rank of Eagle. To their credit, they have remained active in scouting." He noted that Troop 697 has a strong emphasis on outings and adventure: sailing in the Bahamas, canoeing in Minnesota, and backpack trips to such remote locations such as Aavaipa south of Tucson.

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Drownings

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"Statistically, we can show that when we ramp our efforts up, we can see drownings decrease," he said.

While the loss of the Fire Department's public educator due to budget cuts two years ago can't be directly blamed for the recent increase in drownings, Nies said, there does seem to be a connection.

"We can't say we saw spikes this year because we didn't have public education. But I do know that, when our firefighters are out on the street, awareness goes up and people become more focused."

Among other points that firefighters will try to make is that a simple lack of concentration by parents or caregivers can have tragic results. "If we can just succeed in making people more focused, that's a big step in helping to minimize the problem," he said.

Chief Clark said the early onset of drowning incidents has had him particularly concerned.

"We don't expect to respond to this many water-safety calls during a typical year, but it is especially troubling to have these happen during the winter months," he said.

"We want to mobilize the community and stop this alarming trend now, before summer gets here and the water becomes an even bigger attraction for kids."

Educational efforts, public appearances and the involvement later this month of vol-

unteers in wrapping up the door-to-door campaign are directed primarily at adults who bear the responsibility to secure their pools, supervise the children in their care, teach them how to swim, and learn cardiopulmonary resuscitation, according to Clark.

"If we can get everyone to remember and follow our message, 'Eye-to-Eye to Supervise,' then our campaign will be successful," Clark said.

"Direct adult supervision is the best way to protect children from drowning. If adults keep their focus as they interact with children anywhere around water, we will save lives."

Throughout March, Fire Department personnel will be emphasizing pool safety and water awareness to Chandler residents by speaking with them in a variety of venues, such as grocery stores, parks, schools, homeowner association meetings, and during door-to-door visits.

Then, on Saturday, March 26, community volunteers will join firefighters in walking their neighborhoods and sharing a message of personal responsibility for preventing child drownings.

A door-hanger promoting the campaign will be left on every door.

"Our neighborhood walk is something that Chandler schools, service clubs, non-profit agencies, churches and businesses can get behind to make a difference.

"We need everyone to step up and make this happen," Clark said. Prospective volunteers can call 480-782-2122 to participate in the neighborhood walks.



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West Chandler motorist recipient of area's first EV charging station With gas prices on the rise, couldn't have come at a better time

By Mark Crudup

For west Chandler resident Clayton Saffell, driving a mile costs him only 2 cents — a startling ratio any resident should get excited about with the recently increasing gas prices. That's because Saffell's car doesn't have a tailpipe emitting any gases. He drives a Nissan Leaf, an all-electric car, in a national EV (Electric Vehicle) Project with Ecotality North America.

Late last month, Saffell was the first recipient of the Blink Level 2 electric-car charging station in Ari-

zona, which was installed in his garage. Ecotality North America unveiled the charger during a presentation at Chandler's Innovation Incubator.

"Everyday when I get up, (his Nissan Leaf) is fully charged for 100 miles," Saffell said.

Ecotality will be tracking consumer data from Saffell, including information on how many miles he's driving and the daily charging time, which is stored on his charging station.

"Just go to the nearest corner and look at the gas prices," Saffell said. "Now, more than ever, seems like an opportunity to explore electric vehicles."

Don Karner, Ecotality North America president, said the EV project will change transportation across the nation.

"The purpose of this project is really to learn, and have people, like Clayton, operate the vehicles to determine where we need to put commercial chargers," Karner said. "We're taking the first step to what we think will be a brand new transportation future for America."

So far, chargers are available only at Nissan dealerships. Ecotality, though, has plans for an infrastructure of charging stations for all electric vehicles.

"We're looking at how best to interface the system with the existing electric grid," Karner said. "We're making personal transportation more available for residents, with the Nissan Leaf, and soon-to-



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Thomas Schoaf, chair for the Maricopa Association of Governments, said he has been working with Ecotality to develop regional policies to implement the electric vehicle infrastructure in the Valley.

"MAG has assisted Ecotality in mapping out areas the DC Chargers and the Level 2 Chargers can be located," Schoaf said. "We believe that greater use of electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles will complement our other regional alternative transportation efforts, such as light rail, commuter rail and bus rapid transit."

Karner said Ecotality will install over 900 Level 2 charging stations, like Saffell's, that will be available to the public. Additionally, about 40 commercial Blink DC fast chargers will be installed in the Valley.

The fast chargers are able to charge a battery in only 30 minutes. Saffell said it takes 7 hours to charge his Nissan Leaf, from empty to full.

Overall, Saffell said he's loved having the zero-emissions, no-gas vehicle.

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'Leading Ladies' 5 from area hailed as women in history

The role that women have played in the historical development of Tempe will be celebrated March 29 at a program dove-tailing with National Women's History Month.

"Leading Ladies—The First Women of Tempe's City Council" will be the topic of a lunch forum at Tempe History Museum, with various guests invited to discuss leadership skills and the future of leadership for the community.

Five south Tempe women—Carol Estes Smith, Barb Carter, Pam Goronkin, Onnie Shekerjian and Shana Ellis—are among those to be honored.

Elections were first held in Tempe in 1920. It was not until 1966 that a woman, Dorothy Cooper Nelson (Nelson was added to her name later), was elected to the council.

Other former and current councilmembers to be recognized are Beverly Hermon, Patricia Hatton, Barbara Sherman, Linda Spears and Robin Arredondo-Savage.

One hundred tickets, at \$15 each plus a small service fee, are available through Eventbrite at <http://tempe-leadingladies.eventbrite.com>.

Those without Internet access may call 480-858-2059 to reserve tickets.



Happy Birthday — Chandler Mayor Jay Tibshraeny paid tribute to Arizona Cactus-Pine Girl Scout Council Day commemorating the 99th birthday of the organization, founded in Savannah, Ga., in 1912. Members of Girl Scouts-Cholla Neighborhood accepted a proclamation and led the Pledge of Allegiance at a Chandler City Council meeting.



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"We have a variety of service opportunities available this summer," said Barb Farmer, manager of volunteer services.

"Volunteering is a great opportunity for teenagers to get an inside look at what it's like to work in the healthcare industry, while at the same time making an important and positive impact on our patients, staff and visitors."

Some of the services volunteers can participate in include escorting patients, delivering flowers and newspapers, working in the gift shop, performing clerical duties, assisting at the nursing stations, and running miscellaneous errands around the medical center.

In return they receive a \$4 meal voucher for every shift they work.

"Some volunteers really enjoy working at the information desk or helping people select items in the gift shop, while others prefer performing administrative duties," said Farmer.

L"We want to make this a fun, positive experience."

In addition to a positive attitude and enthusiasm, volunteers are required to serve a minimum of 40 hours over the summer as well as attend three mandatory educational sessions.

Upon successful completion of the program, volunteers will receive a certificate of completion, a copy of their hours for future scholarship applications, a letter of recommendation and the opportunity to apply for the CHW East Valley Volunteer scholarship.

For information and registration, to go www.ChandlerRegional.org, click Volunteer Information on the left-hand navigation bar, and select Application Information.

Applications will be available through Thursday, March 24.

Childsplay unveils 2011 summer class schedule

Childsplay has announced its schedule for its 2011 summer academy. Classes are available for children ages 4 to 17 and run from early June until early August. This year's season features full day classes every day of the week for ages 6 to 15 and more offerings for ages 4 to 8 than ever before.

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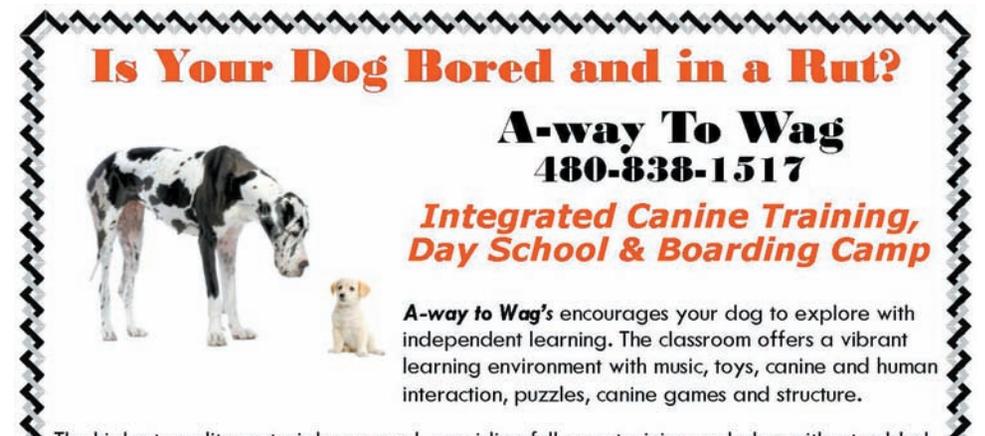


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three years," said Evans. "I look forward to pushing them defensively and exploring the offensive possibilities provided by their height."

The Aztecs were scheduled early in the season to play some of their most competitive matches. They were set to play at Gilbert on March 10, Mesquite on March 22, and Mesa Mountain View at home March 24.

Corona Track and Field — Corona's track and field teams came out competing and making a statement in their first two meets by defeating Brophy/Xavier in a dual meet on March 2, then taking first place at the Paradise Valley Relays on March 5, according to head coach **Tim Kelly**.

With a number of outstanding results, Kelly said he was pleased that all the CdS athletes stepped up and performed well.

In track, the boys 4x800 relay team of **Dillion Baker, Mike Seall, Cody Jackson** and **Jared Hirschl** ran a phenomenal opening season time, according to Kelly.

"Jackson in the 800-meter run and **Lakevia Stormer** in the 400 meter run are also looking fantastic right now," said Kelly. "In the field events,

Dana McKenzie started the season off with a 5-foot-5-inch high jump."

"McKenzie was a softball player who came to track late last year as a sophomore and ended up second in the state in the high jump with a 5-foot-2 jump," said Kelly. "This year she has decided to solely focus on track and is nationally ranked."

Corona took first in both the girls and boys events at the Paradise Valley Relays. The girls team totaled 108 points defeating the No. 2 team, Mountain Pointe, by 13 points while the boys team tallied 92 points, beating out the second place team by a whopping 47 points.

Six Corona girls relay teams took first place: the 4x100, 4x200, 800 Sprint Medley, 4x400, 4x800 and the 4x100 Meter Shuttle Hurdle relay races. Running in the 4x100 were **Taylor Johnson, Megan Benson, Grace Ashu** and **Gabriella Dotson**.

The 3x200 was **Benson, Lakevia Stormer, Johnson** and **Ashu**. Johnson, Ashu and Dotson also ran in the 800 Sprint Medley along with **Lauren Milovich** as the third runner.

The 4x400 team consisted of **Ashu, Hallie Swenson, Sarah S. Williams** and **Stormer** while in the 4x800 was **Dani Lemieux, Stormer, Williams** and **Swenson**. The members of the 4x100 Meter Shuttle Hurdle winning team included **Stephanie Allen, Tadesa Smith, Dana McKenzie** and **Jackie Vogt**.

Results of the girls team in the field events included a first-place finish for McKenzie and a tie for fourth by **Kim Valentine** and West in the High Jump Relay.

Carli Giese tied for third in the Pole Vault Relay and **Benson** was second in the Long Jump Relay. **Kaylyn McGowan** was second in the Discus Throw Relay.

Paradise Valley Relay results for the boys team included a first place finish for **Dylan Huch, Stephan Hill, Dominic Mercurio** and **Matt Hayhurst** in the 800 Sprint Medley.

Dominique Bransumb, Jackson, Patrick Buck and **Seall** also took first in the 4x400 as did the Aztec 4x800 Meter Relay team of **Baker, Seall, Jackson** and **Hirschl**.

George Bafaloukus and **Bransumb** tied for first in the High Jump Relay jumping 6 feet even.

Three sophomores, **Quinn Robertson, Buck, Daniel Saman** and freshman **Tevin Mayfield** took first in the 4x110 Meter Shuttle Hurdle.

Mayfield was picked as a newcomer to watch in the 300 hurdles and long jump by the *East Valley Tribune*. He has started very well this season and is expected to only get better according to Kelly.

Another freshman, **Grace Ashu**, was part of several winning relay teams in the Paradise Valley Relays

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and Kelly expects her to continue to be an asset in the sprints and relays.

Corona will be competing March 23 in a dual meet at Basha and then the Chandler Rotary Invitational at Chandler High School March 25-26.

Corona Girls Soccer Awards — Senior **MyKaylin Rosenquist** made the Central region first team along with sophomores **Olivia Montoya**, **Kelsey Cartwright** and **Stephanie Petre**.

Corona Boys Basketball Awards — Junior guard **Calaen Robinson** was named the 5A-I Central region's Player of the Year. Named to the Central region first team was junior **Avery Moss**. **Casey Benson** was named to the second team and senior **Michael Miller** received honorable mention.

Former Corona Athlete — **Nicole Coggins** was part of Denison University's first 28-0 North Coast Athletic Conference team. Coggins, a 2009 Corona graduate, played in all 28 regular season games and was ranked No. 3 in several team statistical categories including points per game, field goals made, assists, steals and minutes played.

Denison won the 2011 North Coach Athletic Conference Tournament for the sixth time in seven years Feb. 26 and advanced to the NCAA Division II Tournament, where they eventually fell to Washington-St. Louis in the first round.

Coggins was the second leading scorer in that final game with 10 points.



Despite loss at State, it was another winning year

Corona del Sol's freshman boys basketball team came out undefeated 18-0 at the end of this year's season, bringing to a close a three-year 59-0 winning streak. The team lost 74-43 in the state finals against Mesa Mountain View. Team includes, front row, from left: **Tevin Mayfield**, **Nathan Chokey**, **Tim Coen**, **Reed Burroughs**, **Jonathan Coronel**, **Steven Coker**, **Kevin Kas**, **Bryan Boylan**. Back row: **Coach John Wochner**, **Marcus Herrada**, **Kaylon Kinlicheenie**, **Dan Starkey**, **Thomas Turley**, **Russ Davis**, **Trevor Wood**, **Vance Arnold**, **Jarrett Givens**.

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Discerning Diner . . . with Nathan Schroetter

Lucky Lou's: Always a good bet

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Lucky Lou's American Grill, tucked away on Ray Road just west of the Price/101 Freeway, promises a winning hand, no matter where the spirit of culinary adventure takes you. In other words, no gambling here.

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Lucky Lou's has been drawing a growing crowd of enthusiasts. The Chandler location joins an original one in Mesa, which has been up and running for seven years.

But this Chandler site turned out to be more spacious, and so far is perfectly positioned to accommodate the growth that co-owner Dr. Scott Campbell sees as inevitable.

Campbell and Louis Lukens (hence the name Lucky Lou's) have been in partnership since the Mesa location opened in 2004. Campbell, possessing a knack for finance, joined forces with Lukens, whose 30-plus years of experience in the restaurant industry led to this successful venture.

Although the signage at the Ray Road location could have been a bit more visible, the surprises you'll find inside make it worth any required GPS searching. With great variety on the menu, just as every American grill should be able to claim, Lucky Lou's meals offer something for practically anyone, plus the added advantage of being nicely portioned and, best of all, just plain tasty.

Although the bar attracted a following soon after the place opened, Campbell said he wants Lucky Lou's to be seen as a restaurant first and a bar second.

There's a dinner special every night of the week, including Wednesday's (and my) favorite, baby back ribs.

Lou's also has unbeatable lunch specials that offer the same great food with affordable options. During my visit to Lucky Lou's, I rolled the dice on the California Chicken Wrap, which came recommended by one of the sociable bartenders.

While watching the Australian Open on one of Lucky Lou's many HD TVs, I was able to sample a nicely prepared and quickly delivered creation that was a tribute to Chef Lou's years of servitude in the kitchen.

On a scale of 1 to 10, I rated it about an 8. But for the surprisingly miniscule \$7.99 menu price that included a side of homemade pasta salad, a bottomless fountain drink and a cheery, efficient server who even remembered my name, it was the best deal I've found in my travels for a lunch that's

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both good and affordable.

As if food, service and price weren't incentive enough to warrant a repeat visit, I liked the fact that Scott and Lou consider part of their business strategy the ongoing support of a number of local athletic teams, another factor on which I gave them high marks.

"They are the ones who support us, so we support them," Campbell said.

Lucky Lou's is open until 2 a.m. every day of the week and prides itself and having a fun and friendly family atmosphere. However, after the kids are gone, the music turns up a little and a touch of the Vegas spirit starts to shine.

Check out Lucky Lou's at www.LuckyLousaz.com to see all the lunch, dinner, drink and happy hour specials.

Information: 480-814-1400.

Show appreciation for a great neighbor

That guy down the street who goes the extra mile to help when the people next door need a hand because of injury or illness? The couple who organize everyone on their street to campaign for a community entry sign or a clean-up, fix-up project?

They're likely candidates for Tempe's 2011 Neighbor of the Year Awards, and you have only until Tuesday, March 22, to nominate them.

Everyone probably knows at least one neighbor who goes the extra mile to link fellow residents, enhance communication and build community.

Or maybe you have a neighbor who has made improvements to their home or landscape, creating a beautiful oasis on the block and motivating others to do likewise.

The annual Neighbor of the Year Awards present the perfect opportunity to recognize those extra-special residents who work dili-

gently and often behind the scenes to make our neighborhoods great.

For more detailed information and guidelines or to obtain a nomination form, go to www.tempe.gov/neighborhoods or contact the city's Neighborhood Services staff at 480-350-8234 or neighborhoods@tempe.gov.

Neighbor of the Year Awards will be presented by the Mayor and City Council at the start of the 2011 Neighborhood Workshop, a free half-day event to be held Saturday, April 30 from 7:30 a.m. to noon, in the City Council Chambers, 31 E. Fifth Street.

The deadline to register for the Neighborhood Workshop is Tuesday, April 26.

Invite a Tempe friend or neighbor and reserve your spot by contacting the Neighborhood Services Division at 480-350-8234 or neighborhoods@tempe.gov.

For updated event information, visit www.tempe.gov/neighborhoods.

Tweet class set April 27

Ten years ago, spending the day at your computer "friending" and "tweeting" was an entirely foreign concept. Today, it has become America's favorite pastime. That's why South Mountain Community College has developed a one-night, non-credit class to provide students with the fundamentals of using the social media.

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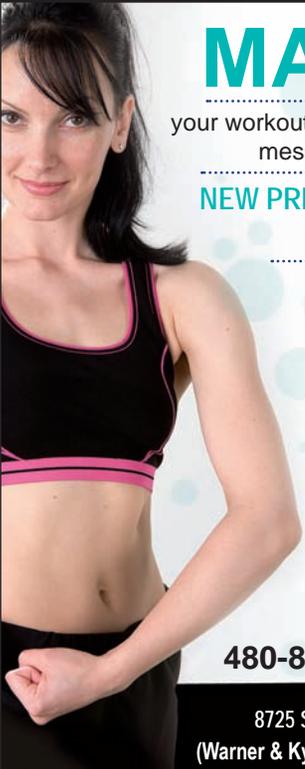
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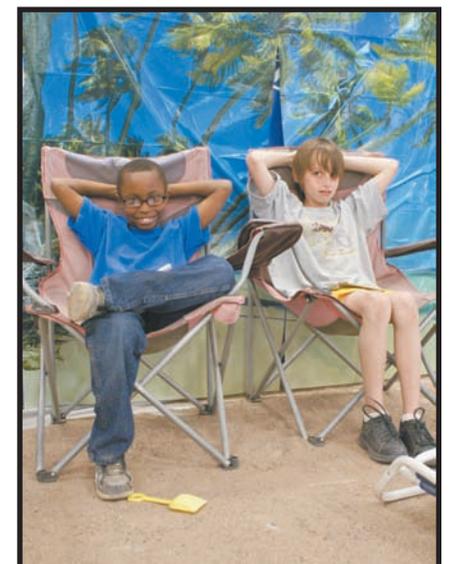
Spring Break . . . here today, gone tomorrow



Those who had no plans for spring break got a special treat with the help of Tempe's Kids Club staff. Youngsters convened at Kyrene del Sureño Elementary, in addition to other Kyrene schools, to enjoy some fun-in-the-sun activities, all with a beach theme to coincide with traditional spring-break destinations.

During the week, the kids created aquariums using sand, shells and cut-out sea critters. They watched as fish swam in an adjacent aquarium.

Other activities during the week included a water day that featured slip-and-slide action that provided a preview of summer fun yet to come.



Kids' brief break from classes flew by quickly, but it gave Tempe's Community Services Department a chance to team up with IKEA to offer abbreviated samplings of a multitude of classes that the city of Tempe will offer throughout the year.

Nineteen athletic, fitness and craft activities were featured during one-hour blocks. Children and their parents tested their athletic abilities with softball, basketball, golf, karate and tennis.

Fitness classes included step aerobics, yoga, Zumba, dancing and Ergometer fitness practiced on an indoor rowing machine.

Crafts including paper rockets and recycled art were profiled, as were classes focusing on healthy snack making and electronic piano instruction. The glimpses of various programs and activities were designed to whet kids' appetites for the full versions of classes due to be offered this summer.

Wrangler News photos by Mark Crudup

So. Tempe neighborhood star of Channel 11 show Pleasant Ridge to be focus of new Navarro TV series

South Tempe's Pleasant Ridge neighborhood takes the stage among the stars of a new cable TV series being hosted by Tempe Vice Mayor Joel Navarro.

Navarro hosts Community Focus, a monthly video series focusing on each of the Tempe City Council's committees.

Navarro, who chairs the council's Neighborhood Quality of Life and Revitalization Committee, takes a look at neighborhoods from an outside perspective.

The video includes interviews with local residents about how they've used public art and other

improvements to enhance their neighborhoods. It also features information about graffiti removal and describes how residents, volunteer organizations and the city of Tempe are working together to enhance the community and improve quality of life.

Navarro's committee focuses on a variety of neighborhood issues, from graffiti and deteriorating perimeter walls to cut-through traffic, alley maintenance and city code enforcement.

Community Focus, which is produced by public-access channel Tempe 11, highlights the substantial issues being tackled by the City Council's seven committees.

Each council member chairs one of those committees and works with city staff and community members to accomplish mutual goals.

The series, which began this month, brings stories and information about the people behind the various efforts and explains how residents can get involved in the process.

Daily show times are listed on the Channel 11 program guide at .

The program is also available 24 hours on . Individual segments of the show also can be found on .

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Specialty parks a great place to socialize your dog But use common sense before you and Fido venture forth

By Mark Crudup

Dogs can pretty much run free out on the farm. But in the city, it can be hard for dog owners to give Fido enough open space for proper exercise. Fortunately, south Tempe and west Chandler are home to a couple of excellent publicly available dog parks.

"I think they provide a great service, and it's a great way for tax dollars

to be utilized," said Dr. Thomas Gus, veterinarian at University Animal Hospital.

"In the confines of the city, it's hard for dogs to find a place to get out, stretch their legs and have a good time."

A dog park can be a great socializing place for your dogs, Gus said, however there are a few precautions to take

when enjoying some fun with your canine companion in the great outdoors.

Gus said the most important thing is to keep your dog vaccinated for common health issues.

"When you bring a lot of dogs together, the incidence of contagious diseases goes way up," he said. "In dog parks, you don't know the medical history or the vaccine status of all the other dogs in that fenced area."

Common vaccinations that should be administered include parvo (parvovirus) and kennel cough.

"Kennel cough is the most common," Gus said. "In fact, there is actually a vaccine you can get for kennel cough." Kennel cough is inflammation of the respiratory system and one of the most contagious canine illnesses.

"You would like to think all owners are responsible, but you never know what, if anything, their dog was vaccinated for," Gus said. "Also, dogs can often mask illnesses well, so it can be hard to tell."

All dogs are required to have a rabies vaccine, Gus said.

"If your animal was not given a ra-

bies shot, sometimes, inadvertently, another owner will get bit," he said. "Your dog will be quarantined and a fine will probably be imposed."

As far as visits outdoors go, Gus said it's important to be aware of your dog, where it is and what it's doing, as well as other dogs in the area.

"I think it's much like when you go to the park with your child. You want to make sure you are always aware of where they are and what they are doing," he said. "I think the etiquette is being a good parent."

For puppies, vaccinations are not usually complete until at least four months, Gus said. Other than keeping your dog protected against potential illnesses, their social behavior is a key component in deciding to take them where other dogs are also playing.

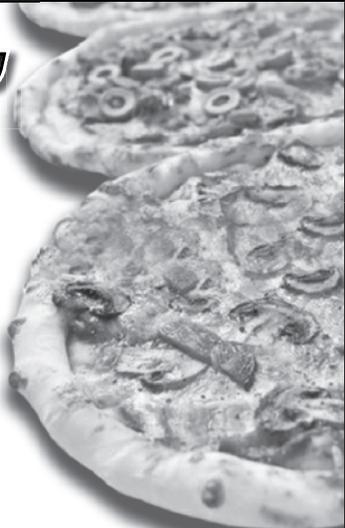
"You have to know, or believe, that your dog is social," Gus said. "There are certainly a lot of animals that are not."

"You want to socialize your puppy in others ways, by exposing them to other people and other animals," he said. "For example, if your friend has a dog that is vaccinated, than it would be



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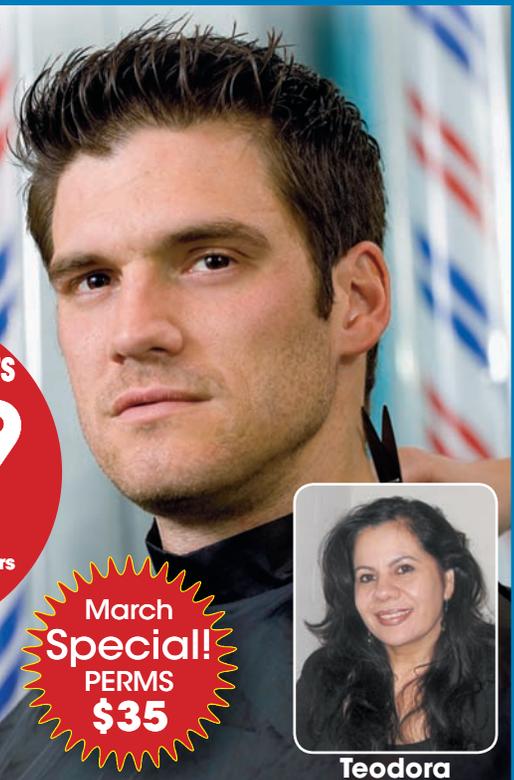
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very good to have your dog socialize with that dog.”
Puppy classes are also available, which help to socialize pets.

“All of the animals in these classes usually require screening, so you know the medical history of the dogs your dog is going to be around.”

After your pet gets comfortable with other animals and people, you can bring it to one of the local dog parks and enjoy the company of other pet-loving residents in the area, while your pooch meets new friends.

Just remember, Arizona’s summers heat up fast, so be careful your dog does not overheat. Most local dog parks have a water source, but be prepared to bring a container for your dog drink from.

“They are stimulated to be active in a dog park, so the chances of getting them overheated is significant,” Gus said.

“Have an adequate supply of water. Visit in early morning or evening.”

Dog park locations:

- West Chandler Park, Kyrene Road south of Chandler Boulevard. Park hours: 6 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.
- P. Ben Arredondo Sports Complex (formerly Tempe Sports Complex), northeast side of Hardy Drive at Carver Road.

Police urge caution to avoid scams

Just because you’ve never been the victim of a scam, there’s no reason to let down your guard.

Chandler Police media relations officer Frank Mendoza says residents need to remain vigilant in protecting their identities to steer clear of the many well-orchestrated rip-offs, many of which can be very convincing, that remain prevalent these days.

A current scheme involves telling victims they won a random sweepstakes or are receiving an inheritance from a relative they never knew existed.

In order to claim the money, the victim is asked to send a “fee” or “taxes” before the money can be claimed. Usually these schemes involve someone calling the victim and on some occasions impersonating public officials or financial institutions to instill confidence and convince the victim to send the money.

Suspects in such scams will continue to require the victim to send small amounts of money, which can add up over time.

Such schemes usually start with a phone call or an official-looking letter addressed to the person, or will arrive in an e-mail.

Mendoza recommends these precautions:

- Shred old documents that contain personal information and carefully secure current documents;
- Deposit outgoing mail in secure mailboxes;
- Do not give out your Social Security number unless absolutely necessary;
- Make sure your computer’s firewall and anti-virus are current;
- Do not open emails from an unknown source;
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Community Events

Tempe Church of Epiphany Rummage Sale — Friday, March 25 and Saturday, March 26. Treasures and bargains for everyone. 2222 S. Price Rd., Tempe. South of Broadway, west of Price. 3/19

Moving Sale - Furniture NordicTrack Treadmill Excellent condition \$400 Oak Bedroom Set Armoire, Dresser, Nightstand \$350; Ethan Allen maple china cabinet \$400; Solid cherry Bob Timberlake entertainment center \$350; Antique farm table \$75; Small antique desk \$100; Call 480-329-9258/pmphelan@msn.com 4/2

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Arbor Day 5K

Join Tempe for the second Arbor Day 5K on Friday, April 29, at 6 p.m. at Tempe Town Lake. Race proceeds benefit Trees for Tempe, a program to plant new trees and replace damaged trees in city parks and other locations. For race information or to register, visit www.arborday5k.com. There is no additional charge for online registration. For more Trees for Tempe information, visit www.tempe.gov/parks.

Neighborhood Workshop, Awards

Tempe will honor those residents who go above and beyond to help their neighbors become a community along with those who have made improvements to their home or landscape creating a beautiful oasis. Join us on Saturday, April 30 from 7:30 a.m. to noon, at the 2011 Neighborhood Workshop and Awards.

We will begin this free, half day event with the Awards presentations in the City Council Chambers made by Mayor Hugh Hallman and City Council.

Then, we'll take a quick walk across the street to the Tempe Transportation Center, 200 E. Fifth Street, for the two indoor workshop offerings.

Event attendees can also leave from there to take advantage of this year's two featured outdoor/mobile workshop choices.

The deadline to register is Tuesday, April 26.

Invite a Tempe friend or neighbor and reserve your spot by contacting the Neighborhood Services Division at 480-350-8234 or neighborhoods@tempe.gov.

For updated event information, visit www.tempe.gov/neighborhoods.

Pilot recycling program launched in So. Tempe

In an effort to encourage recycling and bolster local businesses, the City of Tempe is joining forces with Recyclebank, the sustainable action platform that motivates individuals to make a collective impact on the environment, to launch a pilot project with several Tempe apartment complexes.

As of March 2, more than 3,000 residents of apartment buildings in the southwest area of Tempe are now eligible to participate in this game-changing program that rewards families for recycling.

Tempe joins more than 500 communities across 29 states and the United Kingdom to implement Recyclebank, which motivates people to engage in greener behaviors, like recycling, by rewarding them with points that are redeemable at local and national retailers, including restaurants, pharmacies, grocers and more.

Over the course of a year, an average family can earn hundreds of points and redeem rewards for up to \$200 in value.

Residents can check a map of the pilot program buildings to see if their home is part of the pilot area by visiting www.tempe.gov/recycling and selecting Recyclebank.

Get geared up for Bike to Work Day

The City of Tempe will hold its 20th annual Bike to Work Day on Wednesday, April 20, to encourage bicycles as an alternative mode of transportation.

From 6:30 to 8 a.m., all bicycle riders who stop by one of the participating Bike to Work Day locations in Tempe will receive a free breakfast and the first 350 riders will receive free T-shirts.

At 7 a.m., join Mayor Hugh Hallman along with members of the Tempe City Council on a bike ride from Whole Foods Market to The Center Bistro in downtown Tempe.

Breakfast site locations include:

- Back East Bagels (northwest corner of Southern Avenue and McClintock Drive)
- Berning's Fine Jewelry (southwest corner of McClintock Drive and Warner Road)
- IKEA (northwest corner of Warner Road and Priest Drive)
- REI (southwest corner of Southern Avenue and Priest Drive)
- The Center Bistro (on Sixth



Street in The Brickyard)

- Wildflower Bread Company (southwest corner of McClintock Drive and Guadalupe Road)

- Whole Foods Market (northwest corner of Rural and Baseline roads)

For more information, visit www.tempe.gov/tim or call 480-350-8663.

Saturday, April 2 events at Kiwanis Park

Kiwanis Park will host two family-friendly events on April 2.

The Kiwanis Club of Tempe's Community Easter Egg Hunt will be at 9 a.m. at the park's north soccer field. Plastic eggs with prizes inside will be scattered on the field for children 10 and under. For more

information, visit www.kcot.org.

Red Cross will hold a free Water Safety Day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Learn about water safety and drowning prevention, participate in CPR and water safety demonstrations. Details: www.arizonaredcross.org.

Multi-Purpose Recycling Event

Tempe residents are invited to help the environment at a free recycling event Saturday, April 9, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Tempe Household Products Collection Center,

1320 E. University Drive.

Residents can bring documents to shred, old electronics, household hazardous waste, old athletic shoes, plastic shopping bags and more.

But don't leave empty handed – take home some free, nutrient-rich compost for your garden!

The material is from Tempe's new green waste collection program, which is a partnership with Singh Farms.

A donation of one canned food item is requested of event participants, along with proof of Tempe residency.

For more information, visit www.tempe.gov/recycling or call 480-350-8145.