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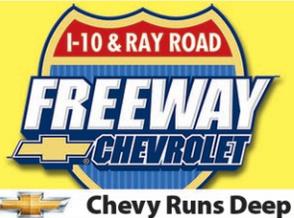



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A dramatic change in how kids learn

New traditional academy stresses 'back-to-basics' approach

By Mark Crudup

Registration is under way for parents hoping to enroll their children in Kyrene's first Traditional Academy, which starts Aug. 6 at Sureño Elementary School. Sign-ups will remain open until classes are full.

Dr. Marianne Lescher, current principal at Mariposa Elementary School, will replace Dr. Jim Stroger as principal of Sureño in the 2011-12 school year.

"I have been at Mariposa for 12 years, and I had planned to be there for another 12 years until this opportunity came forth," Lescher said.

"It's a really exciting opportunity for me, as an educator and as an administrator, for the Sureño community and the Kyrene community as a whole."

At a recent public meeting for parents, Lescher and Stroger addressed the changes that will be made as Sureño transitions into a traditional academy.

Lescher said the school will follow the same curriculum implemented across the Kyrene District, adding to it a prescribed dress code, required parental involvement and more targeted instruction in math, as well as a heavy focus on reading mastery and acceleration.

"It is a great school now; we're just going to modify things a little bit to bring a new option to Kyrene and a new choice for parents," Lescher said.

According to Dr. Gina Taylor, assistant district superintendent, Sureño's move to a traditional academy stems from a variety of needs, with a major focus to grow the school.

She added that Sureño has had declining enrollment and that district officials hope the change will help to rebuild it.

Parents attending an earlier advisory session asked a number of questions on aspects of the changes to be made next year, specifically regarding how staff will address strategies designed to minimize instructional distractions for students.

Lescher's response was that reading instruction will take place in larger blocks than it has been in recent years, as it is necessary to provide more time for kids to comprehend the information. She added that the school will likely not have as many assemblies, minimizing schedule changes that would affect instructional hours.

Kyrene parent Theresa Arellano, whose son is in kindergarten, said she looks forward to enrolling her child at Sureño next year.

"Coming from a parent, I know one thing that's going to be beneficial about this is that my son will be ahead a grade level," she said. "He'll be in first grade next year, but they will be teaching him second-grade material."

Arellano added that newly adopted Saxon and Spalding reading and math programs have been

given good reviews, and will require parental involvement—one of the main aspects that will set the school apart from other schools.

Family members will be required to meet a minimum of five volunteer hours throughout the year, Lescher said.

"Parents, students and staff are responsible for and committed to supporting the (academy) program, upholding the standards and following the rules and policies," she said. "It's really a commitment for everyone."

The prescribed dress code will include uniform pants, shorts, "skorts," jumpers and skirts in colors of khaki and navy. Collared shirts in white, blue or red can be plain or match the school logo. Sweatshirts and sweaters worn in school can be red, white or navy. Outerwear can be any color or print. Jeans can be worn on "Friday spirit days" with any school shirt.

Also, homework time will increase from the elementary average of three nights per week to four nights.

Lescher said approximately 85 percent of the current teachers at Sureño will remain on staff next year.

For more information on the Kyrene Traditional Academy, visit www.kyrene.org/aboutksd/TraditionalAcademy. Open enrollment applications are available at www.kyrene.org/oe.

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Celebrating 100

How once-controversial Tempe Town Lake became one of state's top draws

2012 is only a few days old, however Tempe wasn't waiting for celebrants to put down their champagne glasses.

The city has already launched its year-long observance of a colorful past, coinciding with events that celebrate the 100-year anniversary of Arizona statehood.

On Saturday, Jan. 7, a fascinating pictorial chronology of the past 100 years goes on display at Tempe Historical Museum.



Neil Giuliano
 — Wrangler News photo

Then, four days later, on Wednesday, Jan. 11, former Mayor Neil Giuliano takes visitors on a lively journey recounting the development of Tempe Town Lake—once criticized by some, now

second only to the Grand Canyon as a popular Arizona tourist destination.

These are only samples of what Tempe has lined up to mark this centennial year, and so far it seems likely that no historical stone will be left unturned.

To kick off the year, Tempe History Museum will host several events during January, including the return of "Lunch Talks" and "Third Thursdays," as well as the first of several celebrations that will commemorate Arizona's Centennial.

The Pictures Tell the Story: Continuity and Change in Tempe — Saturday, Jan. 7 — Some say a picture is worth a thousand words, but these pictures are worth a hundred years. The museum's Arizona Statehood Centennial photo exhibit will be on display in the museum's Community Room. Guest-curated by local photographer Dick George, the photo-story tells of the ordinary people, events and trends that have shaped Tempe over the last 100 years.

Tempe Historical Society Lunch Talk: It's not about the Lake—Reflections on Bridging to the Future — Wednesday, Jan. 11, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. — Tempe Historical Society Lunch Talks offer a line-up of guests to continue "Tempe since

Arizona's Statehood: 1912-2012," a lecture series commemorating Arizona's Centennial.

Guests can bring a lunch and join former mayor Giuliano as he discusses the creation of Tempe Town Lake. At the time he held office, the project was just beginning—rejoiced by some, criticized by others. Now, a decade later, the former mayor provides details on how the dream became reality that some once were unable to envision.

Third Thursday Night Café at the Museum — Thursday, Jan. 19, 7 p.m. — After a holiday hiatus, Third Thursday Night Café returns with its current series, "Research Matters: the Latest and Greatest from ASU." The series features discussions about some intriguing research coming out of the university. ASU's Mark Klett will be on hand to show how his photographic projects relate historical photographs of Western landscapes to their present day locations.

For more information on Third Thursday Night Café and other History Museum events, visit www.tempe.gov/museum or call 480-350-5100.

Events will take place at Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave.

A 'wacky' journey through the pages of Arizona history

Cover Story

By Mark Moorehead

They met in 1999 when south Tempe resident Conrad J. Storaad was promoting his award-winning children's book, *Don't Call Me Pig*, at Border's Books & Music in Mesa.

Lynda Exley, also a south Tempe resident, was Border's public-relations manager, and they struck up a friendship.

When Exley left Border's, the two went separate ways for more than 10 years until Storaad signed on with a

Entrepreneurial skills get a boost at W. Chandler incubator sessions

Making the jump from independent entrepreneur to successful business owner means leveraging the talents of others. At the next Coffee & Connections workshop, sponsored by the Small Business Development Center, speaker Wayne Smith will help navigate the ins and outs of developing and managing a successful team.

SBDC is funded by the U.S. Small Business Administration and Maricopa Community Colleges. Its Chandler office is in the city's Innovations Incubator; other offices are located around the Valley and nationwide.

Coffee & Connections will be held 7:30-9 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, at the Innovations Incubator, 145 S. 79th St. The event is free and open to the public, but registration is required due to limited seating.

Wayne Smith co-founded an information technology company and managed its growth from two people to 20, attaining annual revenues of \$20 million. He ultimately managed a successful merger with a larger company 15 years later.

Smith's most important talent

focuses on building and managing integrated teams of all disciplines to achieve corporate objectives.

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- Team planning for the next level of the company's growth.
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Coffee & Connections is a quarterly series presented by the Small Business Development Center in partnership with the Innovations Science & Technology Incubator in Chandler.

Other future dates are Thursdays, April 19, July 19 and Oct. 18.

To register visit www.maricopasbdc.com and sort by the topic Technology Programs, or call Sanjay Dhole, 480-784-0591.

Marcos students share 'worldview' perspectives with Kyrene Rotarians

Story & photo by Mark Crudup

In a world of unsure futures, mass revolutions and global economic hurdles, one group of Marcos de Niza High School students is taking steps to gain outside perspectives of foreign countries through their Model United Nations Club.

The club, sponsored by sophomore honors English teacher Rob Owen-Jones, has participated in five conferences over the past two years.

Megan Kelly and Jessica Bass, co-presidents, along with Claire Sarsam, vice-president, presented their past two years of experience in the club to Kyrene Corridor Rotary members during the Rotary group's last meeting in December.

"We're a club that is focused on promoting knowledge about world events," Owen-Jones said. "What we've found is students who have graduated and gone through the program and become civic leaders, as well."

According to Owen-Jones, students in the club study government procedures, write position papers and become mini-experts in the affairs of the world around them.



Kyrene Corridor Rotary Club President Norma McCormick presented a check to members of the MdN United Nations Club, (from left) Claire Sarsam, Megan Kelly, Jessica Bass and faculty sponsor Robert Owen-Jones.

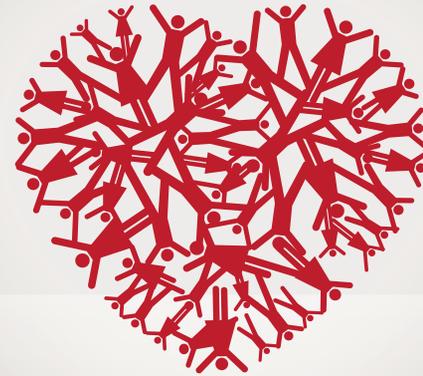
"They gain a new perspective and understanding of how the world operates," he said. "It also provides opportunities for students to question the policies of our country and others."

Model United Nations Club members attend nationwide conferences during which they are assigned a country to showcase, Owen-Jones said.

"They learn the language of being civically active and civically oriented," he said. Jessica, a junior at Marcos, said the conferences challenge students to present a country's view of the

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Sports Notebook . . . with Alex Zener

Aztec basketball teams end year with unblemished record

Corona's girls and boys basketball teams ended 2011 with a bang, both going undefeated in holiday tournaments.

The Lady Aztecs were crowned champions of the Lady Badger Winter Classic held Dec. 29-30 in Prescott, going 5-0 and defeating tournament host Prescott 57-42 in the championship game at Prescott High School's main gym.

Junior guard **Alexa Hogberg** shot a game-high 27 points in the championship game while sophomore forward **Kaelin Shaffer** put in nine and **Taylor Kalmer** added seven more for the win. At times it seemed like the Lady Aztecs, who had seven three-pointers, couldn't miss. Hogberg made five of the Corona's seven treys.

"It was a great feeling of accomplishment that we were able to achieve our team goal of winning the tournament," said Hogberg. "Winning this tournament will definitely boost our confidence going into the next part of the season, especially playing some of the tougher teams on our schedule."

"I am very pleased with how we played offensively and defensively," said coach **Andrew Strom**.

"Alexa and Taylor shot the ball very well, and both made the all-tournament team."

"Kaelin is continuing to give us a little bit of everything," said Strom. "She can score for us, rebound for us and get steals from the third guard spot."

Corona gained confidence as they easily knocked off the competition one team at a time. The Lady Aztecs defeated North Canyon 51-21, Mingus 51-21 and Sabino 37-21 before defeating Bradshaw Mountain 65-55 in the semifinals to make it into the championship against the Badgers.

The Lady Aztecs were not only able to score on their opponents but played solid defense to limit shots, grab rebounds and create fast break opportunities by stealing the ball.

"**Lauren Lucky, Liann Kline** and **Jordynn Logston** did all the things that make us a good team," said Strom. "Their interior defense and rebounding has been very good plus all three are stepping up their offensive games as well."

Lauren Lucky led the team in rebounds, corraling 9 of the team's 25 total.

"Our senior **Liann Kline** is playing awesome," said Hogberg. "She's been working really hard and stepping up every game providing all the little things needed for us to be successful."

The Lady Aztecs got quality minutes from their bench throughout their tournament run.

"**Sammi Moore**, who had an outstanding tournament, is feeling more comfortable in her role as the first guard off the bench," said Strom. "**Justice Mosley** gave us a big boost when she entered the game with her effort and intensity."

"**Erin Miller** did a nice job getting rebounds and playing interior defense," said Strom. "**Vicky Sanford** and **Haley Langille** are continuing to improve and gave us very solid minutes in the tournament."

Corona's win against Bradshaw Mountain showed how much the Lady Aztecs have improved this year with their ability to break free from the Bear's trapping defense.

"The game against Bradshaw Mountain was the most challenging for our team," said senior **Kline**. "They had an aggressive trapping press which forced us to bring all five players back to break it."

The Lady Aztecs ended the winter break with an 11-3 record, one of their best starts in recent history, and were hoping their 5-0 tournament run would give them an added boost of confidence heading into the new year.

"We have a very difficult part of our schedule in the next two weeks," said Strom. "It will be fun to see how we respond."

Corona was scheduled to play at Chandler Jan. 4, Mountain Pointe at home Jan. 6 and then play two more home games, Desert Vista, Jan. 10 and Hamilton, Jan. 13, before playing at Marcos de Niza Jan. 17.

Boys Basketball — Corona's first foray into the VisitMesa.com Basketball Challenge, hosted by Mesa Mountain View Dec. 27-30, was an astounding success. The Aztecs were the only local team out of 11 that competed, part of a tournament that attracted talented teams from all over the country including some of the best in Arizona, to go undefeated.

The only other team out of the 17 participants to go undefeated was Gahr High School located in Cerritos, Calif. Both went 4-0.

The tournament did not include brackets or a championship game but instead gave teams a chance to play competitively during the holiday break.

The Aztecs defeated all four of their opponents by double digits and handed two of them their first losses of the season.

After beating Tucson Amphitheater by 16 points on Dec. 27, Corona beat both Anchorage (Alaska) and South Sioux City (Neb.) by 10 points each Dec. 28 and 29. It was South Sioux City's first loss of the season.

The Aztecs then played shorthanded against Utah's American Fork but still outscored by 21 points. The Cavemen's only loss so far this season was against Corona.

Corona's starting backcourt, **Calaen Robinson** and **Casey Benson**, played outstanding all four games and were named to the All-Tournament team. Robinson was given the co-most valuable player award along with South Sioux City's guard **Mike Gesell**, who averaged 35-plus points a game.

Corona used the inside presence of **Andrus Peat** and **Avery Moss**, who only recently was cleared to play basketball after recovering from a shoulder injury, to grab rebounds and score points in the paint during the first three games.

For instance, on Dec. 29 against South Sioux City, Peat and Moss combined for 37 of Corona's 82 points and had at least 12 offensive rebounds, most of which led to easy points when the 6-8, 280-pound Peat or

6-5, 235-pound Moss decided to go up with a put-back shot. Robinson led the team with 24 points.

Although Corona had a 37-28 halftime lead, South Sioux City's guards made it interesting in the second half by cutting the lead to just two points (64-62) with 4:48 to play in the fourth quarter before the Aztecs were able to pull away from the two-time defending champions.

"The best moment of the tournament for me was when we beat South Sioux City in a game that was shown on TV," said Moss. "They were the most challenging team we played because their skilled guard play really tested us as a team."

Neither Moss nor Peat was able to play in the game against American Fork, but the Aztecs didn't miss a beat, using a total team effort to beat the Utah team 77-56 in the fourth day of the 5th annual VisitMesa.com Basketball Challenge.

The Aztecs used the absence of their two big post players to display their deep bench and 3-point shot array. Altogether, the team made at least 12 three-pointers.

Robinson made six of his eight three-point attempts while Benson, **Jesse McCain**, **Bryan Siefker** and **Braden Tennyson** each made at least one trey against American Fork.

McCain jump-started the team by scoring 10 of the team's first 18 points, while **Elijah Hempstead**, starting in place of Moss, provided another inside presence, pulling down a team-high seven rebounds while scoring six points.

Siefker limited points with his usual suffocating defense, while Tennyson contributed to the team win with seven points on offense and a strong defensive effort as did **Adam Gleave**, who also scored four points.

Point guard Benson directed traffic while scoring 11 points along with six assists.

"This tournament was a great experience for us because we played together as a team really well all week," said Benson. "It did not matter whether it was rebounding, playing good defense, scoring points or making plays for others—everyone contributed in one way or another. It was a total team effort."

Moss was expected to announce his football college scholarship decision when he played for the West at the first Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl Jan. 3 at Chase Field. His top two choices were Purdue and Nebraska as of Jan. 2.

The Aztecs will also be without Peat the first week in January because he will be playing at the Under Armour All-American Football Game in Florida, where he is also expected to announce his college choice to play football.

Corona was scheduled to play Chandler at home Jan. 4 but then had three away games in a row before another home showing Jan. 17 against Marcos de Niza.

On Jan. 6, the Aztecs were due to play at Mountain Pointe and are scheduled for a rematch at Desert Vista on Jan. 10. They'll also play a game with Hamilton on Jan. 16.



Corona's girls basketball team went undefeated at the Lady Badger Winter Classic in Prescott to capture the championship trophy. From left, bottom row: Alexa Hogberg, Vicky Sanford and Sammi Moore. Hands on her knees: Justice Mosley. Top row: Coach Andrew Strom, Jordynn Logston, Haley Langille, Kaelin Shaffer, Liann Kline, Lauren Lucky and Taylor Kalmer.

— Photo contributed by Ling Ling Kline

Avery Moss picks Nebraska

In the end, it came down to family for Avery Moss, the Corona defensive end, who announced in the fourth quarter of the Jan. 3 inaugural Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl football game at Chase Field that he was going to the University of Nebraska.

"It was the way Nebraska came out and treated me and my family," said Moss. "I really wanted my family to be into my decision, and Coach J.P. and Nebraska really pursued my family."

It also helped that the Huskers had an inside track through Moss's cousin, **Todd Peat Jr.**, who redshirted this season at Nebraska.

"I had (him) in my ear, too, especially when I visited the campus," said Moss. "But in the end, it was my family being on board that helped me make my final decision between Nebraska and Purdue."

The 6-foot-4, 205-pound Moss had considered several scholarship offers before narrowing his choice to Nebraska, Purdue and Arizona.

As a starter on Corona's varsity basketball team for three years, Moss also briefly considered going somewhere that would allow him to play both sports.

"There was a time when I was thinking about only playing basketball in college," said Moss. "And then I was really considering going to Boise State because they were telling me I could play both football and basketball."

"Instead I decided, if I was going to let this be my last year of playing basketball, then I was going to leave it all on the court my senior year at Corona and pursue football in college."

Moss is not going to Nebraska just to play outstanding football. He has impressive academic goals in mind as well.

"I want to major in psychology and minor in business at Nebraska," said Moss. "I want to become an industrial or organizational psychologist. Like a psychologist in the business world."

Corona fans can watch Moss on the basketball court. He and a couple of his other cousins, **Andrus** and **Cassius Peat**, hope to make it all the way to the 5A championship game. Andrus also has Nebraska on his short list of colleges, and was set to announce his decision at the ESPN-sponsored Under Armour All-American High School football game Jan. 5, at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, Fla.

— Alex Zener



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Undersea science inspires hyperbaric medicine doc

By Alison Stanton

We've all heard the mostly joking conjecture that an earthquake in California someday could make Arizona a beachfront state. That's the last thing Dr. Brian Paterick thinks about.

Using an evolving medical science to treat patients who, so far at least, remain safely landlocked, is Paterick's No. 1 priority.

A board certified emergency room physician at Chandler Regional Medical Center, Paterick last month received certification in Undersea and Hyperbaric Medicine from the American Board of Emergency Medicine.

In addition to his role as an ER physician, Paterick serves as medical director for the hospital's Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Oxygen Center, which provides hyperbaric oxygen therapy to treat wounds that have not responded to traditional treatments. That same therapeutic measure is used, although only occasionally, to help patients who have gone diving and are suffering from decompression sickness, commonly known as "the bends."

As Paterick explained, the origins of hyperbaric medicine date to at least the late 1800s, when divers were helping to build the Brooklyn Bridge.

Many of the workers who spent time underwater creating the bridge's supports suffered from muscle pain, a common symptom of decompression sickness. Paterick said the condition stems from nitrogen bubbles that form in the bloodstream while underwater and that do not properly dissipate if a diver comes back to the surface too quickly.

Eventually, medical researchers realized that if people with this condition were re-pressurized on land, mimicking what they felt underwater, and then gradually had a reduction in pressure, the nitrogen bubbles would get out and the symptoms would go away.

Over time, Paterick said, this hyperbaric procedure was found to work on patients with hard-to-heal wounds, including diabetic foot ulcers, crushing injuries and other problematic wounds.

"During hyperbaric treatment the patient is under pressure and breathing 100 percent oxygen, which causes more oxygen to be dissolved in the

bloodstream, allowing it to get to the wounds which are not getting enough oxygen."

Originally called hyperbaric medicine, this treatment was then re-named undersea medicine but is now referred to as both, according to Paterick.

A member of the American College of Hyperbaric Medicine, the Divers Alert Network and the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society, Paterick said he thoroughly enjoys working at the wound care center, which is the only one in Arizona accredited with distinction by the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society.

Of the patients who come into the center for care, Paterick said, about 20 percent undergo hyperbaric treatment, and 92 percent of those recover in about 12 weeks.

Many of the patients Paterick works with have diabetes, which causes small blood vessels and capillaries to die off, meaning that, if the patient is injured, the wound tends to be stubborn and won't heal properly.

Although the center is equipped to take care of divers, Paterick said the lack of an oceanfront environment in Arizona makes those cases pretty rare.

"We did care for a man once who went diving off Catalina (Island) and came in with symptoms of the bends," he said.

"But a lot of doctors use the undersea component in coastal regions like San Diego, and in Louisiana where there are a lot of workers on the oil rigs, diving off the Gulf of Mexico."

Paterick said he enjoys working both as an emergency room physician and at the wound care center. While both jobs are fulfilling and give him the opportunity to help people in need, working at the wound care center gives him the advantage of getting to know his patients, which is something that he especially enjoys.

"In the emergency room I see them once, and that's it. But at the wound care center, I see most of them every week for 2 to 3 months, and it's nice to get to know them."

After healing occurs, the patient is given an award and gets to ring a bell in celebration.

"We have a great team here helping our patients, including a great group of nurses," he said.

"The patients are motivated and thankful for the care."



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First Person A lofty visitor drops by



Wrangler News General Manager Carmel Bonitatibus and his wife were enjoying a quiet day at home when the whirl of a descending hot-air balloon attracted their attention.

— Photo courtesy Carmel Bonitatibus

By Carmel Bonitatibus

Early one Sunday morning a few days before Christmas, while baking cookies with my wife Diane, an odd noise drifted in from outside our townhouse just east of the Casa Paloma shopping center.

It sounded like someone with a car stuck in the mud, spinning its tires trying to get out. What a surprise to open the door and find a hot air balloon hovering about 15 feet above us, cutting through our townhomes like a kid would do to avoid going around.

Cookie dough in hand, I ran to get my camera. Unfortunately, the balloonist was already through our development and on his way west. So back inside to continue baking, right? Nope. Not even five minutes later, we heard the same rumble. This time, though, I was ready.

I headed out to take some pictures, but now it was a different balloon slicing its way through our development.

With what I considered plenty of skill (and no doubt a considerable amount of luck) the balloon touched down in the street with a full basket of riders. No homes were hit and no people injured. Less than half an hour later, the balloon was airborne once again and on its way.

It was an interesting few minutes of an otherwise quiet day, and no one seemed particularly alarmed, but we did wonder if the next time it happens, they'll invite us along for a ride.

Rotary

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world by researching the people's beliefs and governmental policies.

"Students have months to research their given country and put together an essay on their worldview," she said.

Jessica added that during their research, they gained an understanding of what's journalistically important to other countries, as compared to the U.S., mentioning our country's modest coverage of the recent death of North Korea's leader.

Rotarian Kenneth Pollack shared with Jessica a few tales of his time spent in Saudi Arabia, reading world papers that he was unfamiliar with, realizing the different perspective those residents had on America and other global issues.

The club recently traveled to Berkeley for a national United Nations conference with more than 2,000 other high school students, a particularly unique experience for students as they represented the Arab Republic of Egypt during this past year's prominent revolution.

"They had to think on their feet," Owen-Jones said. "Actually trying to persuade others to your point of view is a very difficult task that could truly be valuable to my high school students as they continue on their academic careers."

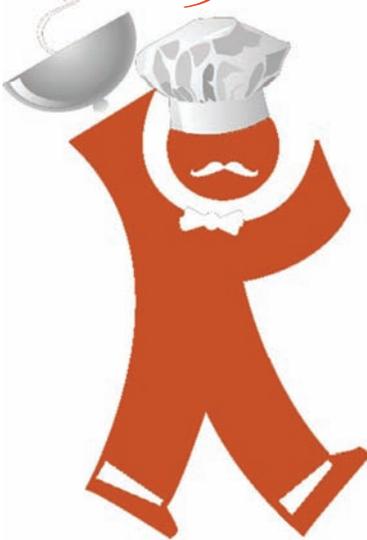
Jessica said it was often hard to stray away from current views in America, and recognizing those impressions others in foreign countries have of the world.

"Students may know why the U.S. does certain things – these conferences provide a greater context," Owen-Jones said.

Currently, the Marcos club is preparing for a conference in Seattle, hosted by the University of Washington.

The club is independently funded through various projects and donations.

Taste of Kyrene

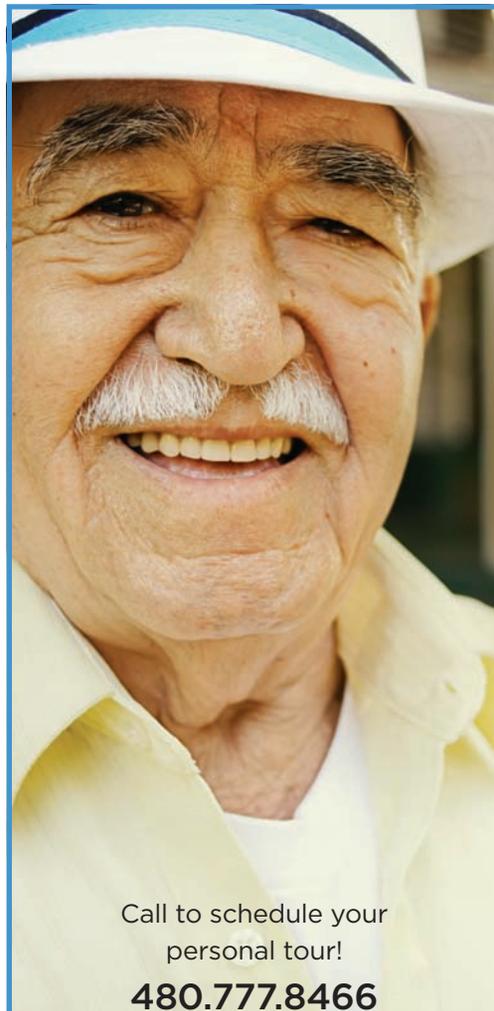


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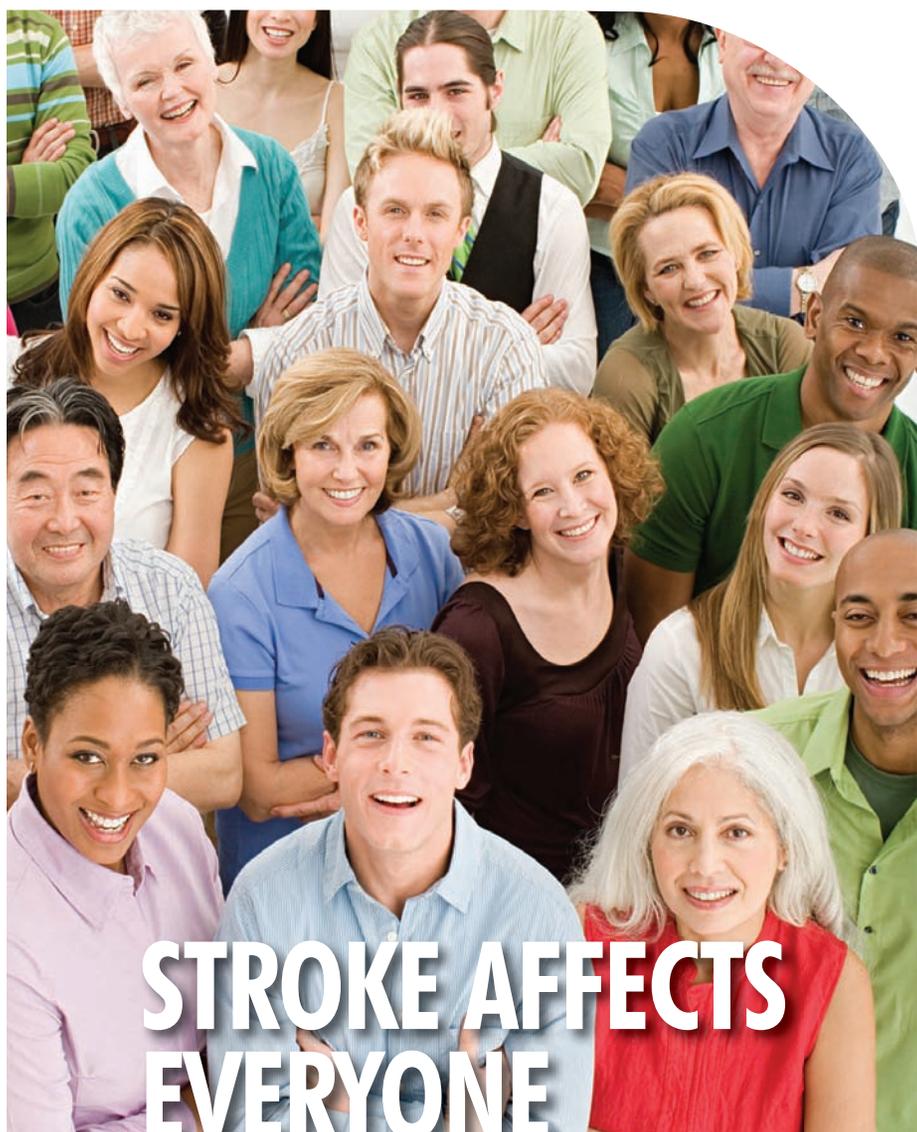


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Recycling firm's 'green' classroom helps inspire kids in Kyrene schools

Kyrene schools are among the benefactors of a \$200,000 "green" classroom being developed by United Fibers, specialists in municipal recycling and manufacturing.

The company unveiled its new recycling education center in conjunction with the celebration of America Recycles Day.

The classroom is designed to help students in the Kyrene and Chandler school districts, along with others, to better understand what happens once the blue recycling bins are picked up outside their homes.

"We want to help create a better understanding, especially with our children, about recycling, how it works and why it is so critically important," said United Fibers Partner Mike Kean.

"We don't just work in this community. We are part of this community. That's why we are so excited to open this education center."

Located about 30 feet above the ground, the education center offers a birds-eye view of the many conveyor belts, employees, sorting machines and huge piles of recycling materials below.

Kean said the center is designed to stimulate visual and interactive learning as students observe the process below while watching a 15-minute educational video.

But the center also will inspire, Kean said, with a graphic wrap that turns the large room into a wooded forest with bamboo flooring under the students' feet.

Insulation used in the room comes from recycled materials recovered from surrounding communities in Arizona. Even the inside construction tells a story of rebirth – the benches were made from tornado-damaged trees lost last year in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

"Chandler residents can read the newspaper on a Monday and within days it can be recycled here and turned into sustainable insulation for someone's home," Kean said.

"This facility's closed-loop recycling is a great and unique story that more people need to hear. We believe this education center will assist in expanding this message."

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History

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he partner with an award-winning freelance writer and editor she knew to help him write a children's book celebrating Arizona's 100th birthday.

And that's how Exley and Storad came to form a writing collaboration that resulted in two official Arizona Centennial Legacy Project books: *Arizona Way Out West & Wacky* and *Arizona Way Out West & Witty: Library Edition*, which just won recognition as a 2012 Onebook AZ for Kids as proclaimed by Secretary of State Ken Bennett.

Beginning in March, the Onebook program will encourage children in communities across the state to read *Arizona Way Out West & Witty*, and to participate in discussions and programs centered on its contents.

"If Arizona gave out Academy Awards for children's books, earning (the Onebook award) would be its equivalent," says Exley. "I can't imagine a greater honor."

The book is a humorous children's history and activity book designed to make learning enjoyable for grade-schoolers. It delivers Arizona history with a side of fun by including gross, interesting and wacky stories and facts about the state, as well as crossword puzzles, games, recipes, crafts and other amusements.

Ideal for teachers and home-schoolers, the book also contains a curriculum guide for additional suggestions. In addition, schools and libraries that order a minimum of 30 copies receive a "Copies for Life" certificate of permission that allows them to copy pages from the book for official school

use. Personal use and sharing copied material is prohibited.

The major difference between *Way Out West & Witty* and *Way Out West & Wacky* is that *Wacky* has coloring pages and does not contain a curriculum guide.

"We wrote *Wacky* first," said Radke. "Librarians fell in love with it, but they were concerned children would write in the book. So at their urging, we redesigned *Wacky* specifically for libraries. *Arizona Way Out West & Witty: Library Edition* still has a ton of fun activities. It just discourages children from marking in the book."

Beginning in January, Storad and Exley will travel the state, visiting schools, libraries and other venues to teach children about Arizona History through presentations, activities and readings. At times, they will be accompanied by Johnny "JR" Ringo, Arizona's state mammal mascot, a full-sized ringtail and costumed character.

Arizona Way Out West and Witty: Library

Edition, and *Arizona Way Out West & Wacky* are endorsed by Official Arizona State Historian Marshall Trimble.

They retail for \$11.95 each and are distributed by Ingram, Baker & Taylor and Pacific Four Sales, and are available at Amazon.com, BarnesAndNoble.com and bookstores and gift shops across the state.

Additional information about the books and the authors is posted at www.AZWOWW.com.

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Lack of pro ranking doesn't have to stop pursuit of sports

By Clayton Klapper

If you're like me, you spent your entire childhood on the court, running the diamond, sprinting the field or in between the nets. The harsh reality is that a pure desire to succeed can take you only so far in the sports world, and you probably figured that out around the age of 16, just like I did.

If you're not naturally talented, or athletically gifted, the consensus is that your chance of spending your life in professional sports is just not realistic. To the blind eye, that generalization is correct.

However, what most don't realize is that there are careers all over the sidelines, and all around the arena that allow you to eat, breathe and bleed sports—metaphorically, of course.

Glenn Capeloto had this idea, and has been fortunate enough through hard work to report college basketball play by play, record stats for Fox Sports and ESPN and, for 37 years, sandwiched in between these demanding pursuits, work as a sports statistician.

Most recently, Capeloto has written and self-published a book on how to get yourself into the game and get paid for it, without even playing.

"People I knew kept asking me: 'How do you get to do what you do? How would I get started? Where? Can you get me into the game, too? I started writing down notes for a relative who had (non-athletic) sports aspirations,'" he said.

"Soon, I had five pages of notes, and from that point forward I devoted every spare minute I had to writing this book," Capeloto said.

Getting into the game is actually a lot easier than most think, insists Capeloto. "There are dozens of game-day operations that need able people to fill the position."

"Maybe you'll be a peanut vendor in the stadium. On game day alone, the Dallas Cowboys employ approximately 6,000 people."

The book covers almost every way imaginable to get into the stadium, some of which take years of experience in broadcasting, college courses and

writing, while others take much less. Capeloto's family lives in west Chandler, and his two sons follow the same aspirations.

His older son, Chad, graduated recently from Arizona State University with a journalism degree, and worked for ASU doing sports stats while at the college. His younger son, Ryan, goes to Kyrene Middle School and plays basketball, soccer and football, but most recently finished his soccer season with the Scorpions.

"Chad's interest was obvious from the day he taught himself to read so he could read the box scores. Ryan really gets it when it comes to knowing where to be and what a situation is on the playing field. He's very smart and determined when he plays.

"I can see him coaching someday. Academically, all my kids, including my daughter Amy, have been A students. You can't ask for more."

"In general, 'You're In the Front Row—How To Kick Off Your Career In Sports, Even if You're Not a Star Athlete' is for all those who want to work in sports but are not athletically gifted.

"There are dozens of occupations, from sports writing to blogging, media relations to broadcasting, sports medicine and refereeing, advertising and marketing," he said.

Not lacking star power, Capeloto's book features interviews with Jerry Colangelo, Lon Babby and Rick Welts from the Phoenix Suns as well as ESPN's Pedro Gomez, KTAR's Ron Wolfley, and many more local and national sports experts.

Whether you're a sports fanatic yourself, and you're desperate to continue your childhood aspirations of working in the sports world, or you know someone who lives, breathes and bleeds sports, this book is a great insight to the endless amount of opportunity that surrounds the industry.

Before you know it, you might not be as far from your aspirations as you might think. You can read an excerpt, as well as purchase the book online, at www.yourcareerinsports.com.

50th anniversary proves truth of love at first sight

By Alison Stanton

One day in 1957, 17-year-old Fred Morse was attending a church youth group meeting in Tucson when he spotted a 14-year-old young woman named Joy across the room.

For Fred, it was love at first sight.

"I thought 'That is the girl for me, and I never wavered from that,'" Fred said.

"But she was not as impressed with me as I was with her. Elvis Presley was all the rage

that year, and I had my collar turned up and my hair in a duck tail."

"I met him and thought 'Oh, goodness, he's an Elvis wannabe,'" Joy said, laughing at the memory. "I was looking for someone a bit more serious."

It took about a year for Fred to muster up the courage to speak with Joy. Someone needed to buy supplies for a project their youth group was working on, and since Fred had a car, he realized this was his chance to make a move.

"It was my opportunity to sneak into her life and not risk being rejected," Fred said.

He asked Joy to go with him to purchase the items, and she said yes.

As they ran the errand, Joy realized she was impressed with the man beneath the duck tail.

"We got acquainted, and found out that we really liked each other," Joy said.

On June 5, 1959, the couple had their first date. Two and half years later, on Dec. 22, 1961, Fred and Joy were married at First Baptist Church in Tucson. He was 21 and a student at University of Arizona, and she was 18.

On this past Dec. 22, the couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in south

Tempe, still as much in love as they were when they were first married.

"We thought we were really grown up, so we said let's get married in December during Christmas break, and our parents were totally in favor of it," Joy said, reminiscing about their wedding day.

"We were in love, but we also had other intangible things going for us too, like we had the same goals and the same value systems."

Three hundred guests attended the wedding, Joy said, which included a reception in the fellowship hall in the church basement with cake, punch, coffee, tea, mints, and nuts.

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Joy and Fred Morse have made the wide world their destination, in this case a visit to Russia.

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CFS235	36488	The Dev. Child: Prenatal to Age 8	1/17-5/8	2:30-5:30P	T	3
CIS105	36513	Surv of Comp Info Sys [CS]	1/17-5/11	10:00-11:15A	TR	3
COM100	38341	Intro to Communication	1/17-5/11	9:30-10:45A	TR	3
COM225	24278	Public Speaking (L)	1/18-5/11	11:30-12:45P	MW	3
COM230	36514	Small Group Communication (SB)	1/20-5/11	8:30-11:00A	F	3
CPD160	36515	Intro to Multiculturalism ©	1/17-5/11	7:00-8:15P	TR	3
CRE101	22703	College Critical Reading [L]	1/20-5/11	8:30-11:00A	F	3
ENG081	22695	Basic Writing Skills	1/18-5/11	8:30-9:45A	MW	3
ENG091	22696	Fundamentals of Writing	1/18-5/11	10:00-11:15A	MW	3
ENG101	22705	First Year Composition [FYC]	1/17-5/11	8:30-10:10A	TR	3
ENG101	22437	First Year Composition [FYC]	1/17-5/11	5:30-6:45P	TR	3
ENG102	22706	First Year Composition [FYC]	1/17-5/11	10:45-12:00P	TR	3
ENG102	22439	First Year Composition [FYC]	1/17-5/11	7:00-8:15P	TR	3
GLG101	22693	Intro to Geology I - Phys Lec [G, SQ]	1/17-5/11	6:00-8:30P	T	3
GLG103	22694	Intro to Geology I - Phys Lab [SQ]	1/19-5/11	6:00-8:30P	R	1
HUM213	22615	Hispanic Film [G, HU]	1/18-5/11	7:00-9:30P	W	3
MAT082	22691	Basic Arithmetic	1/17-5/11	8:30-9:45A	TR	3
MAT082	22584	Basic Arithmetic	1/18-5/11	5:30-6:45P	MW	3
MAT091	24283	Introductory Algebra	1/17-5/11	10:30-11:45A	TR	4
MAT091	24284	Introductory Algebra	1/17-5/11	5:30-7:10P	TR	4
MAT121	24285	Intermediate Algebra	1/18-5/11	8:30-10:10A	MW	4
MAT121	24354	Intermediate Algebra	1/17-5/11	7:00-8:40P	MW	4
MAT141	24286	College Mathematics (MA)	1/18-5/11	10:30-12:10P	MW	4
MAT141	36517	College Mathematics (MA)	1/18-5/11	7:00-8:40P	MW	4
MHL153	36518	Rock Music & Culture (H, HU)	1/18-5/11	11:30-12:45P	MW	3
PHI105	24279	Introduction to Ethics (HU)	1/17-5/11	6:45-9:45P	T	3
PSY101	22701	Introduction to Psychology [SB]	1/23-5/11	6:45-9:30P	M	3
PSY240	24280	Developmental Psychology (SB)	1/19-5/11	6:56-9:15P	R	3
RDG081	22697	Reading Improvement	1/17-5/11	10:00-11:15A	TR	3
RDG091	22699	College Reading Skills	1/17-5/11	11:30-12:45P	TR	3
REC120	36519	Leisure and Quality of Life (SB)	1/19-5/11	5:30-8:30P	R	3
REL243	24281	World Religions [G,H]	1/20-5/11	8:30-11:00A	F	3
SOC101	22700	Introduction to Sociology [SB]	1/18-5/11	6:45-9:15P	W	3
SWU291	22823	Social Services Delivery Systems (Hybrid)	1/23-5/11	6:30-9:15P	M	5
SWU292	38395	Effective Helping in a Diverse World	1/18-5/11	8:30-11:00A	W	3
YAQ100	23439	Yaqui History and Culture [C, SB]	1/18-5/11	5:30-6:45P	MW	3
YAQ110	22692	Yaqui Language and Culture	1/18-5/11	7:00-8:15P	MW	3

Weekend/Short-Term/Late Starting Courses

AAA115	36509	Creating College Success (8 Wks)	2/3-3/30	9:00-10:40A	F	1
ACC230	39156	Uses of Accounting Information I	1/14-5/11	8:30-11:00A	S	3
BPC100	24577	Business-Personal Comp (9 Wks)	3/8-5/11	9:00-12:00P	R	2
BPC111AA	36511	Computer Keyboarding I (6 Wks)	1/19-3/02	9:00-12:25P	R	1
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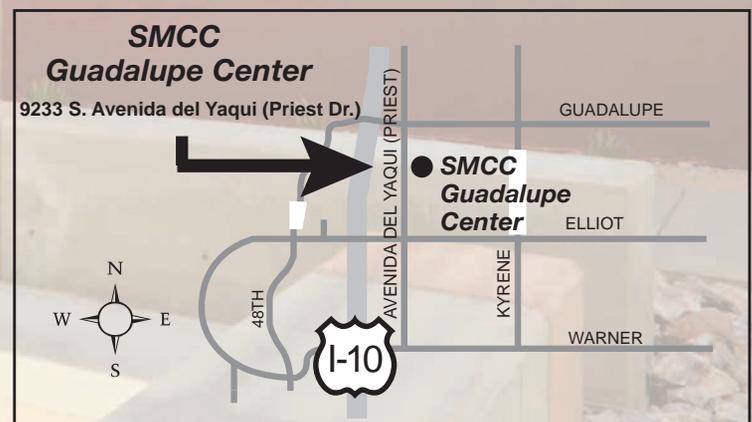
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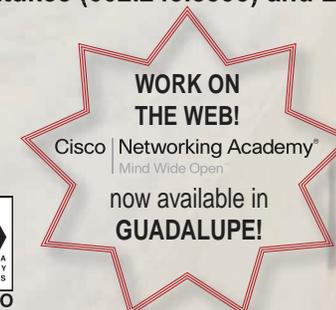
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Candidates announced for Tempe's March 13 Primary Election

City Clerk Brigitta Kuiper has confirmed that the names of three Mayoral candidates and five City Council candidates will appear on the city's March 13 Primary Election ballot.

The Primary Election is March 13 and the General Election is May 15. Offices to be filled include the Mayor and three City Council seats. Certified candidates for Mayor are (in alphabetical order by last name): Mark Mitchell; Michael Monti; and Linda Spears. Certified candidates for City Council are: Dick Foreman; Kolby Granville; Joel Navarro; Angie Taylor Thornton; and Corey Woods.

Prospective candidates were required to submit nomination paperwork and petitions containing a minimum number of signatures from registered Tempe voters in order to

have their names placed on the Primary Election ballot. Candidate contact information is available at the City Clerk's webpage, www.tempe.gov/clerk/election.

In order to vote in Tempe municipal elections, a resident must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen and a resident of Tempe for at least 29 days prior to the election. Interested residents can register or update existing registration at www.servicearizona.com. The last day to register to vote in the 2012 Primary Election is Feb. 13, and the final day to register to vote in the General Election is April 16.

Registered voters may place their name on a Permanent Early Voting List to receive an early ballot. An early ballot will automatically be mailed to the voter approximately 26 days prior

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Early voting for the 2012 Primary Election begins Feb. 16, and early voting for the General Election begins April 19.

Voter registration and early voting

is conducted by the Maricopa County Elections Department. For further information, visit www.recorder.maricopa.gov/web/elections.aspx.

The Tempe City Clerk's Office has posted a list of frequently asked election questions to www.tempe.gov/clerk under the "Elections" tab.

Tempe 11 will air five-minute remarks from each candidate before each scheduled City Council Issue Review Session from Jan. 19 through the elections. These "open mic" opportunities are the candidates' chances to tell you more about themselves. Check out their remarks by tuning in to Tempe 11, which is Channel 11 for Cox Communications cable subscribers in Tempe. You can also stream Tempe 11 live or view Video-on-Demand programming – just go to www.tempe.gov/tempe11.



Public meetings about transit system

Tempe values its transit riders and strives to provide the highest quality and most cost-effective transit service to the community. Residents are encouraged to attend public meetings to learn more about possible changes to the Local and Express Bus Systems and the Orbit neighborhood circulator, including a potential Orbit fare.

The purpose of these meetings is to get input from passengers on changes that may occur in July 2012.

These meetings are part of a three-year public involvement process to develop the service changes necessary to help address a forecasted budget deficit due to the slowing economy.

The Tempe transit system is funded primarily by a half-cent sales tax, which has dramatically decreased causing Tempe to reevaluate the transit system in order to reduce costs. Transit service proposals will be available for comment from Feb. 25 through March 29 at www.tempe.gov/tim.

Public meetings will be held: Feb. 25 at 9 a.m. at the Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave.; Feb. 28 at 6 p.m. at the Tempe Transportation Center's Don Cassano Community Room, 200 E. Fifth St.; and March 1 at 6 p.m. at the Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave.

For more information, call 480-858-2350 or visit www.tempe.gov/tim.

Neighborhood Day at the State Legislature

Tempe residents are invited to join Mayor Hugh Hallman and the Tempe City Council at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns office, 1820 W. Washington St., on Wednesday, Jan. 25, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. to meet our legislators, learn about the city's legislative program and tour the Arizona House of Representatives and State Senate.

To take public transportation from Tempe, visit www.valleymetro.org for bus and light rail information. If you plan to attend, contact the Neighborhood Services Division by Jan. 20 at 480-350-8234 or email neighborhoods@tempe.gov.

For more information on the state legislature, visit www.azleg.gov/.



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Tuesday, March 6.

The season will run through April 1 at Diablo Stadium, when the Angels play the Chicago Cubs. Tickets go on sale this month at www.ticketmaster.com or you can purchase them at the Tempe Diablo box office starting in mid-February. Tempe Diablo Stadium is at 2200 W. Alameda Drive. Visit www.tempe.gov/diablo for information on games, tickets, stadium hours, directions and parking.

Ask the Doctor

Small health, lifestyle improvements can cut risk of dementia

According to a major new Canadian study published in the journal *Neurology*, even small health conditions can significantly increase your risk of dementia later in life and keep you from doing the things you enjoy.

In fact, the study says a dozen untreated minor health issues can increase your dementia risk by nearly 40 percent.

So, make it your New Year's resolution and a priority to seek medical attention for any nagging health concerns you may have.

The beginning of the new year is also a great time to adopt new healthy habits, which may be easier than you realize.

Clinical experts and physicians share these surprisingly simple tips:

• *From Anthony K. Hedley, M.D., FRCS, orthopedic surgeon on the medical staff at St. Luke's Medical Center and Tempe St. Luke's Hospital.*

Buy a new pair of shoes - Purchasing the right shoe for your foot type and physical activity provides your hips and knees with a stable platform and protects your joints.

Try a good athletic shoe store — usually the staff can determine how your foot interacts with the ground and recommend the right shoe for you.

• *From Richard R. Heuser, M.D., FACC, FACP, FESC, FSCAI, chief of cardiology at St. Luke's Medical Center and Tempe St. Luke's Hospital.*

Eat more chocolate - Recent studies have found a beneficial link between the high levels of dark chocolate consumption and a reduction in cardiovascular disease — so indulge! Just remember to watch your overall caloric intake and eat a diet rich in nutrients.

• *From Chip Coffey MAPC, NCC, LPC, director, Outpatient Services, St. Luke's Behavioral Health Center.*

Ignore your alarm clock - Sleep is important and most Americans aren't getting enough. Most of us micro-sleep, which means we experience small awakenings throughout the night.

If we can see the clock from where we sleep, our brains take a mental picture and we're left feeling like we were awake all night.

By simply turning your alarm clock away from you, you can significantly improve your quality of sleep.

Get out and dance - Reduce stress by enjoying a group exercise class at a gym, such as a high-energy cardio dance class.

Exercise and socialization are both proven to reduce stress levels — having fun helps, too.

• *From Fayz Yar Khan, M.D., internal medicine physician at Tempe Internal Medicine Associates, a Physician Group of Arizona, Inc., practice.*

Plant a fruitful garden - You can reduce your risk of heart disease, diabetes and other obesity-related diseases by eating a healthy plant-based diet. What better motivation to eat healthy than to grow your own fresh fruits and vegetables right in your own backyard? Bonus — gardening is a great hobby that helps reduce stress.

Take charge - Schedule an appointment with your health care provider to determine what preventive health screenings would most benefit you, and when you should complete them. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services offers a handy pocket guide to good health for men and women, which can be found online at www.ahrq.gov/ppip/adguide/.

For more information or for a referral to a physician on the medical staff at St. Luke's Medical Center or Tempe St. Luke's Hospital, call 1-877-351-WELL (9355).

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Diversions

Our film guy lists his top 2011 picks

By M.V. Moorhead (More on Page 19)

Phoenix Film Critics Society, of which I am a proud founding member, announced its 2011 Award winners shortly before New Year's Day.

Among those selected were *The Artist* for Best Picture; its director Michel Hazanavicius as Best Director; its star Jean Dujardin as Best Actress; and its sultry costar Berenice Bejo as Best Supporting Actress.

Other winners included Elizabeth Olsen for Best Actress in *Martha Marcy May Marlene*, the great Albert Brooks for Supporting Actor in *Drive*, and Pedro Almodovar's *The Skin I Live In* for Foreign Language Feature.

As in the past, some of these reflect my voting, others don't, but there are plenty of films worth checking out among the winners. From the still-distant vantage of January, it strikes me that PFCS may have chosen the same film as the Oscars for Best Picture.

For the multitudes trembling in anticipation, here are my Top Ten movies for 2011:

1. *The Tree of Life*: Terrence Malick's film isn't ambitious or anything; it just takes on the Creation of the Universe and the Meaning of Existence. Also, it contains Brad Pitt's best performance, beautiful

music by Alexander Desplat, and a plesiosaurus.

2. *The Skin I Live In*: Pedro Almodovar's entry in the venerable European "mad skin doctor" genre is convincing, ingeniously structured and potent. Antonio Banderas and Elena Anaya are superb as the doctor and his patient/victim, respectively.

3. *Moneyball*: Brad Pitt and Jonah Hill play statistical weird science on the Oakland A's to make them win without marquee players. Sly, restrained direction by Bennett Miller and another gem of a performance by Pitt combine to make this inside-baseball tale fascinating and improbably touching.

4. *The Artist*: This black-and-white, mostly silent romantic comedy somehow manages to be a movie of substance rather than a stunt. Jean Dujardin is sensational as the title character, a cheery, ultra-debonair Hollywood leading man whose career hits the wall when the talkies arrive; the beguiling Berenice Bejo is the spirited up-and-coming star who adores him from afar and would salvage his career if only he wasn't so proud. The film is studded with charming supporting performances, but the hero's little dog steals scenes like they were Snausages.

5. *Meek's Cutoff*: Kelly Reichardt's subtextually political Western, loosely based on historical events, is about a bunch of lost covered-wagon settlers looking for a drink of water in the eastern-Oregon desert. It's an ordeal, but a dramatically valid one, and it maddeningly offers no answers. Michelle Williams is quietly excellent as a clear-headed frontier wife, and Bruce Greenwood gives the performance of his career as the reactionary guide Meek.

6. *Martha Marcy May Marlene*: Elizabeth Olsen is spectacular in the title role, a young woman who

flees a rural New York cult, and John Hawkes is chilling as the cult leader. Sean Durkin's simple, low-key direction generates moody atmosphere and a subtle, fretful suspense.

7. *Attack the Block*: Teenage South London street punks jump on their bikes and save the world from aliens on Bonfire Night. Joe Cornish wrote and directed this funny yet tense sci-fi tale, with a fine ensemble cast and spooky, amusingly simple invaders.

8. *Rise of the Planet of the Apes*: More top-notch sci-fi, this is the best iteration of the Apes franchise since the 1968 original, cleverly dramatizing how the Ape-pocalypse begins. Behind the CGI, Andy Serkis provides the superb facial expressions of the chimpanzee revolutionary Caesar.

9. *Texas Killing Fields*: This police procedural from director Ami Canaan Mann, about the murder of young women in a small, grungy Texas town, is a grim and difficult work, but it has an intense, enveloping atmosphere of tragedy.

10. *The Adventures of Tintin*: Steven Spielberg's adaptation of the Belgian comic books is pure fun, and dazzlingly skillful cinema. As with *The Artist*, however, Spielberg lets the dog steal the show.

Also worth checking out: *Contagion*, *Women on the 6th Floor*, *Hop*, *My Week With Marilyn*, *We Bought a Zoo*, *Footprints*, *Rio*, *The Smurfs*, *J. Edgar*, *Arthur Christmas*, *Happy Feet Two*, *Thor*, *Rubber*, *Super8*, *Trollhunter*, *Margin Call*, *Winnie the Pooh*, *Rango*, *Henry's Crime* and *The Muppets* (and the excellent *Toy Story* short before *The Muppets*).

A couple of major stinkeroos: *Zookeeper*, *The Green Hornet*, *Creature* and *Atlas Shrugged, Part One*.



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Love

From Page 13

The couple traveled to Phoenix for their honeymoon and stayed at a motel on Van Buren.

They returned to Tucson and settled nicely into married life, with Fred attending college and working parttime at Safeway, and Joy working for Mountain Bell as a long distance operator.

The couple moved to Denver and then to southern California so Fred could attend seminary. They had two daughters, Michelle and Melisa, and focused on raising their family.

The couple moved back to Tucson in 1970, and to their home in south Tempe in 1990.

After their girls were grown, Fred and Joy did quite a bit of traveling, including trips to Indonesia, New Zealand, Australia and Russia, as well as to almost all of the 50 states.

Fred retired in 2006 after working at KFLR radio for 23 years. He currently works part time as a funeral assistant for Green Acres Mortuary. Joy worked in administrative positions in different churches until 2003. She now works as a household manager for a Tempe business executive.

On Nov. 19, Fred and Joy attended a party held in their honor at First Baptist Church in Tempe. Over 400 guests turned out to celebrate with them, including their daughters with their families and 11 of the 12 attendants from their wedding.

The couple had a renewal of vows, and served the

same menu as they did 50 years ago.

"It was a very special day," Joy said.

Looking back, both Fred and Joy said it's hard to believe that so much time has passed.

"It seems like it has just come up so fast," Joy said.

"We've prayed for one another, and with one another, and we've had a lot of fun together over the years."

Like any couple, Joy admits that she and Fred have had their share of challenges along the way, including some health issues.

"Every family has trials, and no one is exempt from conflict—it's just a truth of life," she said.

"But we had a great desire to make our marriage work, and I believe strongly in doing things that are purposeful and intentional, which means sometimes doing what is right, not just what you feel."

"The key word is 'commitment'—we are committed to each other," Fred added. "With God's help, we've been able to do that. There is no question that we'll be with each other until our lives here on Earth end."

Michelle Keso, one of Fred and Joy's daughters, said her parent's faith is "the glue of their relationship"

"My parents modeled a life of service and now I see that in my marriage and in the next generation, as the grandchildren give their time and efforts to meet the needs of others," she said.

"I think my parents' marriage is unique in many ways. They have truly left a legacy for the next generations and I am very grateful for this undeserved gift that was given to me and my children."

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All accomplished players are invited to tryout. However, the AABL strongly suggest that prospective players have playing experience, at a minimum.

To register in advance, you can contact the AABL at (602) 793-8940, email chandlerofficials@cox.net, or visit www.azabl.com. The registration fee is \$10.00 for players who sign up, if you show up at the tryout with league fees paid, then the tryout fee of 10.00 is waived.

Check-in begins at 12:30 p.m. and the tryout begins promptly at 1 p.m. All players will be required to sign a waiver on the day of the tryout prior to being assigned an official tryout number. Proper baseball attire is required.

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More Diversions

3 words about The Artist: 'Go see it'

By M.V. Moorhead

Every now and then a movie comes along that delights audiences so much, and so transcends all the agendas that tend to cloud our tastes, that even the most curmudgeonly critics and buffs are disarmed, and just say "go see it."

The Artist is one of these. There are detractors out there somewhere, no doubt, but I haven't heard from them yet, and I'm not one of them. Go see it.

Written and directed by the Frenchman Michel Hazanavicius, *The Artist* is a black-and-white and (mostly) silent romantic comedy-drama.

The title character is a silent-movie star, George Valentin (Jean Dujardin), a dashing, romantic hero in the vein of Douglas Fairbanks or John Gilbert.

As the film begins it's 1927 and he's in his glory, seeming to radiate glamour and bonhomie, onscreen and off, from his blazing smile.

He basks in the love of his fans and coworkers—

the occasional outraged leading lady excepted. The stern face of wife (Penelope Ann Miller) at the breakfast table, however, is like a dark cloud on George's horizon.

The storm, of course, hits two years later, in the form of talkies. George's studio boss (John Goodman) plans to get with the new technology, but George is sure it's a fad that will blow over, and he sinks his fortune into producing a silent vehicle for himself.

It's a flop, and George, attended by his faithful chauffeur (James Cromwell) and his resourceful little dog (Uggie), is on his way to the gutter.

Parallel to George's decline is the rise of Peppy Miller (Berenice Bejo, Mrs. Hazanavicius), a delectable young actress whose career gets a lift from George when she's an extra in one of his films, and who rides it all the way to stardom.

She'd love to help revive George's career, and his romantic life, but he's too proud.

The Artist is not the first movie to use the birth of the talkies as a backdrop—the peerless *Singin' in the Rain* is the best-known of the others.

Nor is it the first latter-day film to employ the silent-movie conceit; others include *Silent Movie*,



M.V. Moorhead

the enjoyable Mel Brooks effort of 1977, and Guy Maddin's intoxicating 2002 ballet film *Dracula: Pages From a Virgin's Diary*.

But despite the lightweight story and the lovingly recreated look, *The Artist* somehow seems more like a reclamation of the silent cinema's strengths than like a nostalgic gimmick.

It even employs sound at a couple of points, briefly but brilliantly. It's vital and gutsy, and we respond to it as a contemporary movie.

In no small part, this is due to the acting.

For all the skill that Hazanavicius displays in his direction, for all the beauty and authenticity of Guillaume Schiffmann's cinematography or the sly score by Ludovic Bourque, the real punch in *The Artist* comes from the acting.

Hazanavicius was shrewd, maybe, to have made George such a maddening, exasperatingly prideful person—this offsets the almost comical likability of Dujardin, with his ebullient smile.

Bejo captures silent sass perfectly, and she has a sweet moment, interacting with George's jacket, that's as sexy as anything I've seen in movies in a while.

Cromwell is spot-on, and the supporting cast is full of name players from English-speaking movies in minor roles, but Uggie, as George's long-suffering canine costar and pet, is the only presence in the film more irresistible than Dujardin.

The Artist is rated PG-13 and plays at Harkins Camelview.

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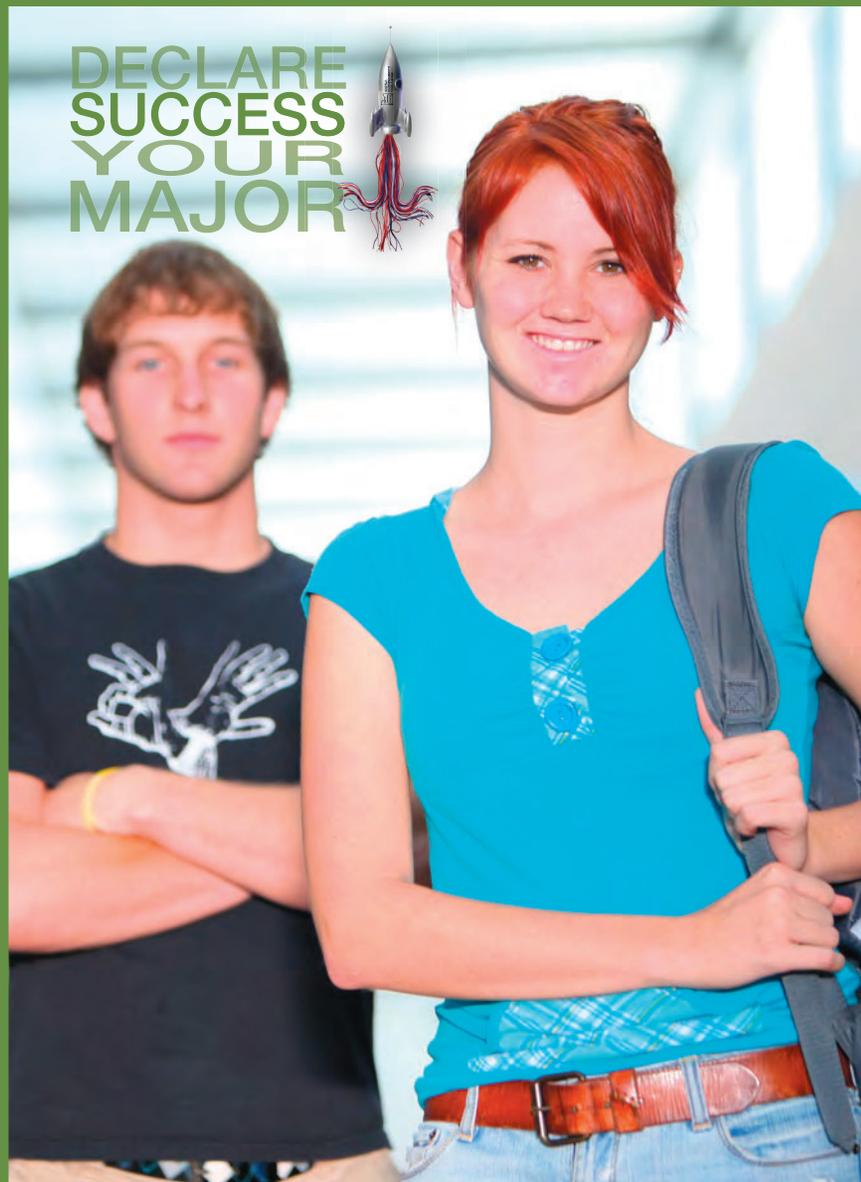
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Jan. 10, 1 to 3 p.m. — Open Communications with the Tempe Union High School District Superintendent —

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An open house will be held for prospective students and their parents to tour the school campus, meet teachers and pick up enrollment applications for the next school year. GCCS offers preschool starting at age 3, half- and full-day kindergarten, grade school and middle-school. Information: www.gccsaz.org.

Jan. 12, 6:30 to 8 p.m. — An Alternative for Weight Loss Success —

West Chandler naturopathic physician Valeria Brieten will host a free class for local residents on alternative weight loss plans, including the Ultra-Lite plan. The class will take place at her office, located on the southwest corner of Chandler Boulevard and McClintock Drive. Twenty spaces are available. Information: 480-857-2768.

Jan. 14, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. — 17th Annual Chandler Multicultural Festival —

Come out to enjoy a day of dance, music, art, ethnic food and entertainment at Chandler's annual festival, located in the courtyard of the downtown Chandler Public Library. The library is located on the southwest corner of Chandler Boulevard and Delaware Street. The free event will feature a variety of family arts and crafts activities. Information: www.chandleraz.gov/special-events.



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Jan. 28, 8 to 9 a.m. — Polar Plunge — Join in on the Polar Plunge, located at The Lakes community swimming pool on the east side of Lakeshore Drive, south of Baseline Road. The event, hosted by the Lakes Women's Club, costs \$20 per participant, with proceeds going to the Special Olympics. Information: www.lakespolarplunge.com.

March 1, 6 to 10 p.m. — Taste of Kyrene — Support the Kyrene School District through this annual event, featuring chef stations, live entertainment, a silent auction and more. Proceeds will benefit all 25 Kyrene schools. The event will take place at the Castle at Ashley Manor, south of Loop 202 on the west side of Price Road. Information: <http://www.kyrenefoundation.org/gettinginvolved/tasteofkyrene.shtml>.

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Centennial design competition

Chandler's Centennial Committee is inviting west Chandler and other resident adults with artistic talents to enter a contest to help design the cover of the official Centennial Celebration Weekend souvenir program that many residents are expected to keep for years to come.

The chosen design will be incorporated into the program cover and receive wide exposure. The winning designer will also receive a gift card and the artwork will be displayed on the Centennial website, www.chandler100th.com.

Entries must be submitted by 5 p.m. Jan. 13, and will be judged on originality, creativity, presentation and best representation of the "Happy 100th Birthday, Chandler" theme. There is no fee to enter, however contestants must be Chandler residents or work within the city limits and be at least 18 years of age. Information: www.chandler100th.com or 480-782-2665.

Fence company recognized

South Tempe-based Sunset Fence Inc. has been awarded a 2011 Angie's List Super Service Award, a recognition given annually to approximately five percent of businesses rated on the compilation of consumer reviews of local service and health providers.

Sunset Fence is owned by the McPeters family of Warner Estates. Bob McPeters founded the company in 1977. He is an alumnus of Tempe High School, and his children graduated from Corona del Sol High School. The company and family were featured in a November 2009 issue of *Wrangler News*.

Candidates hosted by Tempe Chamber

The Tempe Chamber of Commerce will hold a special meeting of its Networking @ Noon program at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, to hear from candidates for Tempe City Council and mayor.

Expected to attend are mayoral candidates Mark Mitchell, Michael Monti and Linda Spears and council candidates Dick Foreman, Kolby Granville, Joel Navarro, Angie Taylor Thornton and Corey Woods.

The event will be held at Dave & Buster's, 2000 E. Rio Salado Parkway. Cost is \$25 for members in advance, \$30 for members at the door and \$35 for the public. RSVPs are required by calling (480) 967-7891 or registering online at www.tempechamber.org.

Chandler mayor 'back on the road again'

Chandler Mayor Jay Tibshraeny goes back on the road with a second year of Listening Tours, first of which will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, at Chandler Transitional Academy-Goodman Campus, 2600 W. Knox Road.

The program will be hosted by Chandler's Neighborhood Advisory Committee, which teamed with Tibshraeny last year as part of outreach meetings held throughout the city.

The tour is designed to provide residents with information on city resources and services, and to engage neighborhoods in conversations about challenges to be faced in coming months. City staff members will compile a list of residents' comments and concerns to help ensure that issues are followed up on and resolved.



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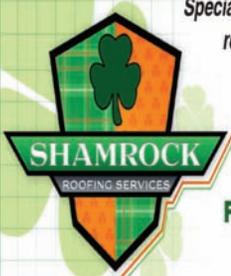
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