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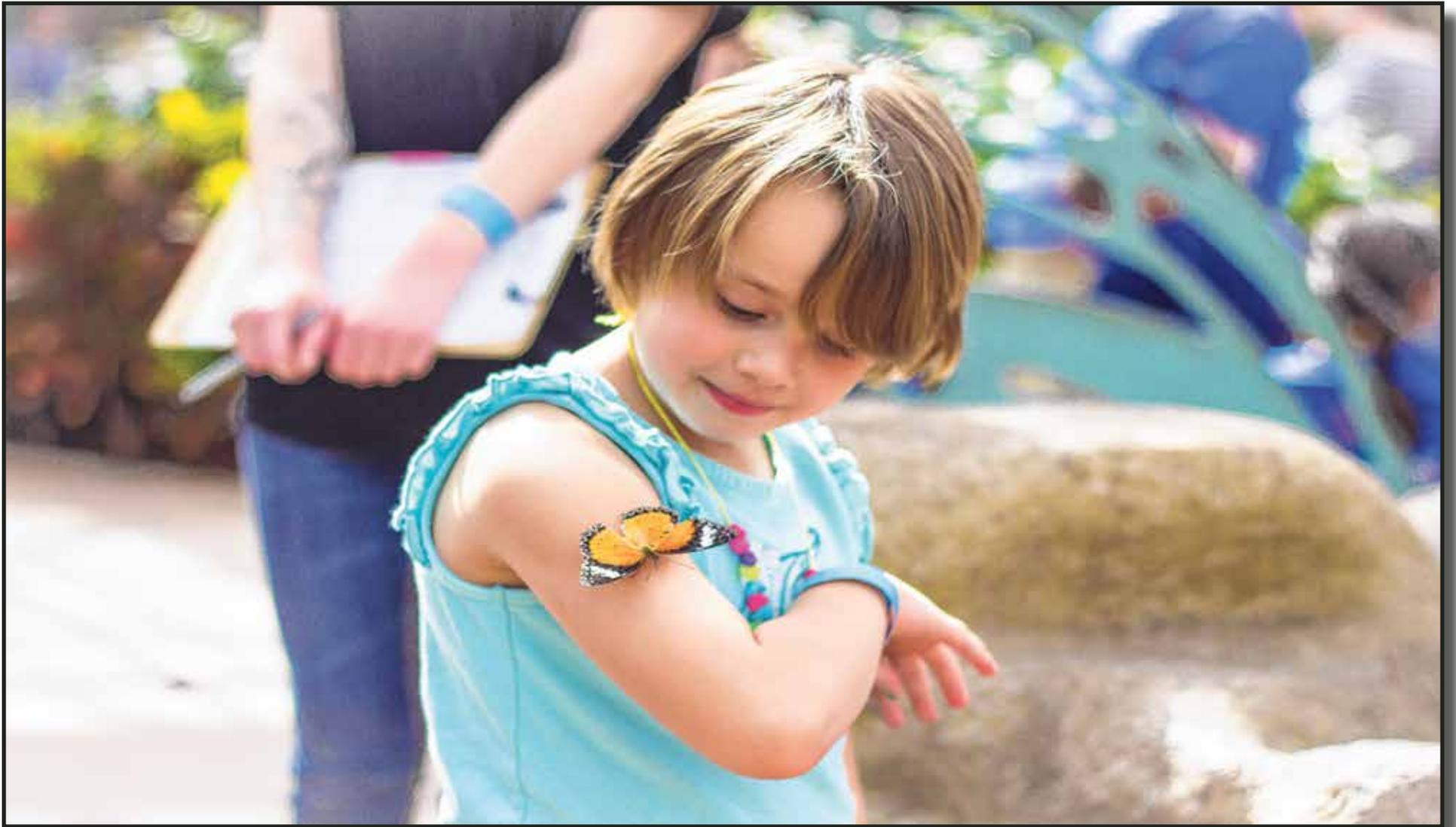


An array of lovingly handmade Easter baskets helped East Valley volunteers generate support for wildlife rehabilitation, Page 7



Onetime Chandler mayor recalls how a typo almost changed city's history, Page 9

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A spring-break visit to Butterfly Wonderland offered youngsters a chance to get up close and personal with nature's winged beauty.

— Wrangler News photo by Alex J. Walker

Ideas take flight when kids explore possible lifelong passions

Tempe Diablos' funding boosts growth of after-school learning

By Deborah Hilcove

For the first-time visitor, Tempe Kid Zone's Spring Break Camp at Waggoner Elementary was like walking through a modern-day kaleidoscope. Turquoise, hot pink and bright yellow tables were prepared for science and art explorations. Pirate-themed walls greeted campers, inviting them to "Set Sail with your Kid Zone Mates and Spring

Break Crew."

Jeremy King, who serves as Kid Zone's assistant director and tour-guide-in-chief, has been this kaleidoscope's most engaged planner—and perhaps its No. 1 activist—for a decade or more.

Toward a goal of providing a safe place for out-of-school activities, Kid Zone stresses educational fun in a nonthreatening environment, King says.

While the most recent offering was aimed at youthful spring-breakers, more than 3,000 children enroll annually at 18 sites during summer vacation and other school getaways. During the March

7-11 break, about 160 were registered at Rover Elementary, another 100 at Waggoner.

"We want kids to get into the world and explore," King says. "We challenge them, introduce them to a lot of activities and to professionals who help them develop an interest into a passion. Earlier this week, we took campers to Salt River Fields for spring training games and to Scottsdale's Butterfly Wonderland. We're trying to create experiences for the kids to talk about with their families."

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Tempe 1st AZ city picked as a 'dementia friendly' pilot site

By Joyce Coronel

Tempe is home to the largest university in America, but it's also home to 13,660 senior citizens. About 1,500 of them are living with dementia.

Dementia is a brain condition that causes problems with thinking and memory. Experts say that about 60 to 80 percent of people with dementia have Alzheimer's.

Tony Cani, aide to Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell, spoke to *Wrangler News* about an initiative to make the city more dementia friendly.

It's part of a worldwide movement that seeks to help communities understand and assist those living with dementia.

"The mayor's mother was diagnosed with dementia a couple of years ago," Cani said.

"He started to learn a lot more about this issue and discovered there was a movement in cities abroad to help prepare businesses, non-profits and police on how to deal with it."

London, England, became a dementia-friendly city in 2013, and Tempe will be Arizona's first dementia friendly community.

According to Alzheimers.net, 5.3 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's and that number will continue to grow as the population ages. Last summer, Tempe was selected to test a pilot program from the White House Conference on Aging. Other cities involved in the project, part of Dementia Friendly America, include Denver and Knoxville.

Basically, it's a four-step process

that begins with a kick-off in which the community gathers and hears from key leaders and citizens who discuss the issue.

In Tempe, the initial event was set as part of a public summit March 19, 10 a.m. to noon at Tempe Center for the Arts, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway.

The second phase of the process involves gathering information and engaging the community to assess strengths and gaps. "We will be doing that in person and over the Internet, doing surveys and analysis of different sectors," Cani said. "We'll be asking, 'How much do you know about the 10 signs of dementia?'"

After that, the program involves analyzing the data and creating goals.

"It's not just the city of Tempe," Cani said. They'll be looking to organizations like the Tempe Chamber of Commerce to train local businesses. "It's an organization, community-driven process that gets you there."

For many people who are living with dementia, ordinary activities can become difficult to navigate. "For example, when they are in a store, they might start pocketing things," Cani said.

"You train people to know the warning signs and if you know them, you will be able to identify the person who is in need."

Tempe is partnering with Banner Alzheimer's Institute in the effort, Cani said. "Early screening makes a big difference; it helps families prepare."

Info: Tony Cani, 480-350-8959; or dementiaFriendlyTempe.org.

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or "when-sounded-as-A-as-in-neighbor-and-weigh" rules of thumb.

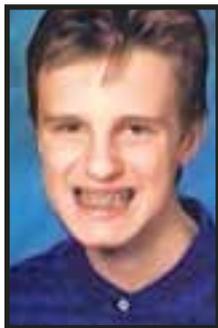
They're probably more versed in the many exceptions to the rule, effortlessly spelling out such doozies as "heist" and "deceive."

Words that leave others scratching their heads, such as "ennui" and "bourgeoisie" don't perplex this crowd either, many of whom planned to be on hand March 19 at the Annual Arizona State Spelling Bee.

Tommy LaPenna is returning to the state bee for the third time as an eighth grader from Kyrene Middle School in Tempe.

He participated in the state bee in 2013 and 2015.

When he's not practicing for the bee, Tommy loves to learn about other cultures, try different ethnic foods, play saxophone and ride his bike.



That's where local spelling champs from across the state will square off in a high-stakes competition.

The event, hosted by the Arizona Educational Foundation and Arizona PBS, is held to determine which of the 27 students from throughout Arizona will represent the state in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

The state spelling bee was to be held at Eight/AZ PBS, 500 N. Central Ave., 6th Floor in Phoenix.

The Scripps National Spelling Bee is held Memorial Day weekend and features grade school students ages 14 years and younger.

ESPN televises the competition, and the winner of the national contest wins a \$30,000 cash prize and an engraved trophy. In 2015, 285 kids made it to the national competition that lasted for three intense days.

Ultimately, first place was shared by two students from St. Louis, one of whom correctly spelled the word "scherenschnitte," the other "nunatak."

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Tempe police join battle against use of illegal, outdated meds

The Tempe police department and the Arizona Attorney General's office want your drugs.

That's because they're endeavoring to reduce the supply of surplus prescription meds and over-the-counter purchases in an effort to protect children, teens and adults.

According to the Medicine Abuse Project, prescription drugs are the most commonly abused drugs among 12- and 13-year-olds.

About 70 percent of young people abusing prescription pain relievers get them through friends or family members.

When Chip Coffey, director of therapy services at St. Luke's Behavioral Health Services, recently spoke to *Wrangler News* about heroin abuse in the community, he revealed some little-known facts about the issue.

"What we see is a large number of folks who are doing heroin actually started with prescription opiates," Coffey said.

"Whether it was starting out as a teenager and stealing prescription drugs from mom and dad's medicine cabinet, and that's how they got locked into it, or was it a period where they were prescribed OxyContin or something on those lines and then just ended up not being able to get any more scrips and so they transitioned themselves to heroin."

That's something the Tempe police department is aware of, so they're partnering with the attorney general's office to provide Tempe residents a convenient, anonymous way of safely disposing of unused and expired medication.

Two secure prescription/over-the-counter medication kiosks are now available.

One is in the Tempe police headquarters lobby, 120 E. Fifth St. The other is in the Tempe police Apache substation lobby, 1855 E. Apache Blvd.

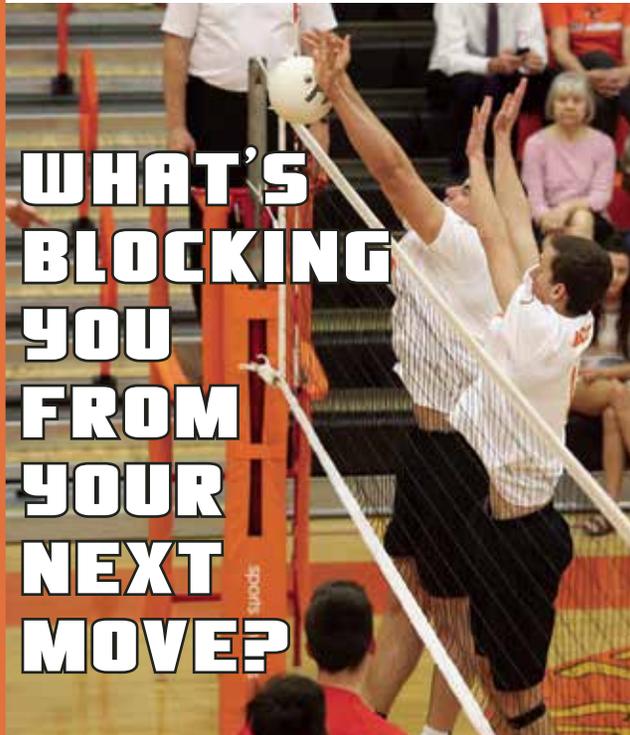
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An Easter-basket wonderland



Baskets galore are the attraction at a Tempe bazaar, proceeds from which are used to help East Valley Child Crisis Center and East Valley Wildlife Rehabilitation. — Wrangler News photo by Alex J. Walker

By Deborah Hilcove

Imagine your kitchen counters, your dining room table—every surface—covered with pink and blue bunnies, chic black-and-white zebras and googly eyed giraffes, with team-logo basketballs, princess tiaras, zany sunglasses, magic wands, even pixie dust.

Add brightly colored baskets, spools of rainbow-hued ribbons, Easter grass spilling everywhere and tons of goodwill, mixed with hundreds of volunteer hours and lots of laughter.

That gives you an idea of the “Easter explosion” occurring every year at the home of Nancy Eilertsen, director of East Valley Wildlife Rehabilitation, where volunteers like Lisa Limbert, assistant director, head of education and chief Bunny Lady, busily create a

glorious profusion of fantasy baskets.

For the past 20 years, this has been a collaborative project of the Outreach Committee of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany-Tempe. EVWR volunteers create and sell these baskets at nominal prices to parishioners on a Sunday before Easter,

which is March 27 this year.

But it doesn't stop there.

June Crane, outreach chairman, says that while many of the baskets are destined for the children of families and friends, funds raised from the sale also are donated to the East Valley Child Crisis Center in Mesa.

“It’s a win-win situation,” agrees Eilertsen. “People help two organizations with one shot.”

EVCCC provides a safe environment for children who are victims of abuse and neglect, but it also enables counseling and education to parents in the hope that children can be returned home.

During their operational 30 years, the organization has sheltered more than 11,000 children.

The agency serves single- and two-parent families of all religious beliefs, ethnicities and sexual orientations, dedicated to prevent child abuse and to advocate and support vulnerable children in crisis.

But EVCCC isn't the only facility providing security and refuge.

Founded in 1989, East Valley Wildlife is a nonprofit organization of in-home wildlife volunteers who care for small injured and orphaned wild mammals, such as songbirds, quail, waterbirds and waterfowl, as well as small mammals like bunnies and squirrels.

The group faces special challenges during this time of the year. Because baby bunnies, chicks and ducklings are so adorable—and greeting cards have made them symbolic of spring—many people give them as Easter gifts.

Although they truly are adorable, their cuteness may soon wear off, and these little creatures become abandoned and orphaned. That's why the wildlife organization stresses giving stuffed animals as presents—and that's the underlying purpose of their Easter basket project.

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Beyond the art and the music, there will be an opportunity to visit participating area restaurants and bars in downtown Chandler that will offer special, island-inspired food and drinks for the night.

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Future could have been markedly different for Chandler, Tempe

How a typo changed the course of history

By Jonathan Coronel

Ever wonder why Chandler has such a jagged, irregular border with Tempe? In this age of autocorrect and spell-check, it seems that history could have benefitted from some latter-day proofreading.

The year was 1976 and the city of Chandler was licking its chops at the prospect of adding land to its rapidly expanding town borders.

With eyes set on the area south of Elliot Road, between Price Road and the I-10, Chandler speedily passed an annexation application.

Its neighbor to the north, however—dismayed at the prospect of losing this coveted land to another suitor—scrutinized the application and happily found a glaring error.

Rather than stipulating that Chandler wished to annex the land south of Elliot from Price all the way *west* to the I-10, the application mistakenly said Chandler wanted the land going *east* to the freeway. A simple error was about to cause big problems for the city's hopes of annexation.

Jerry Brooks served on the Chandler City Council and later as mayor shortly after this annexation

snafu, but he recalls the incident well.

"It still amazes me that the annexation application went through the planning manager, the council and several other officials, all of whom failed to pick up on the mistake. It was a big disappointment."

Tempe took Chandler to court that same year in hopes that the judge would void the annexation attempt. However, not wanting to get involved in a heated battle between the two cities, the judge instead told them to settle the dispute themselves.

In retrospect, a silly error truly did change the course of Chandler's history.

Millions of dollars in tax revenues from large businesses like Honeywell or Costco in the would-be Chandler land could have been a real boon to the city.

"At the time, that was basically all farm land," said Brooks. "Nobody could foresee the development and tax revenue Chandler could have had from all the businesses that would start there.

"In the end it's worked out for Chandler; I am very happy with the city," Brooks says jovially.

In the end, a fiat that should have changed Chandler's history through millions of dollars in economic development and tax revenue turned out to instead be a fat mistake. No typo intended.



Former Chandler Mayor Jerry Brooks in a photo from the city's collection of memorabilia.



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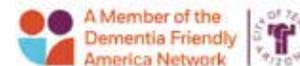
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Sports

By Alex Zener

Fortune seems to smile on track & field program

Over the past four years and especially since winning the DI state championship in 2014, Corona has strived to continue its legacy of providing a quality track and field program that attracts all kinds of athletes who want to be a part of the Aztec team.

This program has proven to be successful simply based on the over 200 student athletes, including 85 key participants from last year's program, who are part of Corona's track and field team this spring.

"We are fortunate to have so many kids who are committed and willing to work hard at getting better for the overall team's benefit," said head coach **Tim Kelly**. "It is our goal that these kids will enjoy the sport of track, their teammates and the thrill of competing for their school and community and ultimately become better young men and women because of it."

The boys and girls teams this season have a combination of experience and depth that should bode well for the overall team by the end of the season.

"I was impressed with both the strong finish from our girls team and the experience our young boys team gained last season," said Kelly. "Both teams should be poised for a great run this year but in different ways."

"The boys team has depth and experience in both track and field events while the girls team will be the most competitive on the track but should get stronger over the season in the field events."

"The girls team has athletes in all events who can and will contribute including a lot of girls who are out for track the first time," said Kelly. "These new girls are finding their niche in several events, plus everyone on the girls team works hard every day to get better, which will pay off toward the end of the season."

These girls include **Jackie Martin, Renee Payne, Melissa Hayhurst, Mackenzie Harder, Jasmine Collins, Meg Horvath, Kylie McCloskey, Riley Wright, Alexis Artiaga, Kaitlyn Webber, Kennedy Voigt, Rachel Kash, Abby Cordiak, Kelsey Lum and Kristina Phillips** on the track and **Delany Mohr, Josephina Wright, Baylee Watson, Kiyanni Lester and Marina Bafaloukos** in the field events.

Martin had a great beginning to her junior track season when she placed second in the 200 meters and third in the 400 meters at the Aztec Invite on March 5, and then first in the 400 meters and third in the 100-meter dash at the Husky Invitational Track Meet, March 11.

Payne took first at the Husky Invite and second at the Aztec Invite in the 800 meters while Hayhurst took third at the Aztec Invite and third at the Husky Invite in the 100 meter hurdles.

McCloskey was the top finisher in the 300 meter hurdles with a seventh place finish at the Husky

Invite while taking eighth place, just ahead of Collins, in the 100 meter hurdles at the Aztec Invite. Horvath placed fifth in the 40-yard dash at the Aztec Invite.

The girls top relay finish at both the Aztec Invite and Husky Invite was a second place at both meets in the 4x400 for Hayhurst, Harder, Martin and Payne.

Lester and Josephina Wright were the top finishers in the field events with a second place in the triple jump for Lester and a third for Wright in the pole vault.

Overall, Corona's girls team placed second behind Deer Valley at the Husky Invite and fourth at the Aztec Invite.

The boys team finished first at the Husky Invite and third at the Aztec Invite to Desert Vista and Chandler.

"Our boys team is well-balanced and very deep across the board in the field events, relays and track events plus we have some talented athletes in the 100 meter and 3200 meter races this season," said Kelly.

In the shorter races or sprints **Jalen Bryant, Jacob Dorr, Adam Knuff, Jamaree Johnson, Alex Sheppard** and **Riley Breiten** should be competitive this season according to Kelly.

Bryant proved he deserved the recognition by taking second in the 200 meters and third in the 100-meter dash at the Husky Invite while Dorr was third in the 40-yard dash at the Aztec Invite.

In the middle-distance races, Kelly has high hopes this season for **Jacob Onofrio**, the 800 meter run state champion in 2015, **Daniel Bish, Sasha Delzepich, Graham Eversden** and **Colt Sample**.

So far this season, Onofrio placed third and Eversden fourth in the 800 meter run at the Aztec Invite and then Eversden was first and Onofrio third



Corona boys volleyball team paid tribute to fellow Aztec Ridge Vanderbur, who died a year ago after a hard-fought battle with acute myeloid leukemia. Among those taking part in the observance were, front row: Haily Vanderbur, Seana Vanderbur, Brenda Vanderbur, Chris Baker and Vince Vanderbur; back row: Jeana Nelson, Brynne Evans, Keelan Nelson, Trystin Nelson, Devon Nelson, Russell Johns, Alex Cox.

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at the Husky Invite.

Eversden went on to take third in the 1600 meter run while **Slade Sumners** crossed the finish line eighth and sophomore **Dylan Waterhouse** was 14th in the race at the Aztec Invite.

Sumners was picked by Kelly to have a good year in the distance races along with **Lucas Ykema, Liam Kovach, Andrew Fierra, Lincoln Johnson** and **Josh Whitney**.

Kovatch showed why his name was on the list with a fourth place finish in the 3200 meter run at the Aztec Invite. Right on his heels were teammates Sumners in sixth place and Ykema in eighth.

At the Husky Invite, Kovatch crossed the finish line fourth in the 1600 meter run and Waterhouse was 11th while Ykema was fifth in the 3200 meter run.

Some names to watch for in the hurdles events included **Carlos Parra, Jack Fisher, Sean Neely, Knuff** and **Xavier Burrell**.

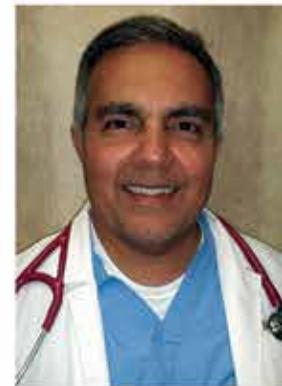
Fisher was the top hurdler for Corona with a fourth place finish at the Husky Invite in the 300 meter hurdles. At the Aztec Invite Fisher took 11th place in the 300 meter hurdles while Neely was 13th in the both the 110 meter and 300 meter hurdles.

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Sports

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Although Corona ran in all four relay races at both the Aztec Invite and the Husky Invite, the top relay team finish was a second place for the 4x200 relay team of Breiten, Dorr, **Landon McFall** and **Benjamin Miller**.

The 4x400 team of Bryant, Gish, Delzepich and **Kim Hunter** finished third in the Aztec Invite and second in the Husky Invite.

The Aztecs have athletes who can potentially earn points for the boys team in all six field events: pole vault, high jump, long jump triple jump, shot put and discus.

Mitchell Warnock competes in the high jump and long jump for the Aztecs but so far this season has scored the most points for the boys team in the pole vault event.

Warnock was recognized for his elite performance by taking first place in the pole vault at the Husky Invite. He was third in the same event at the Aztec Invite.

Another first place finisher in the field events was **Josh Onwordi** in the high jump at the Husky Invite. He placed second at the Aztec Invite just ahead of teammate **Nate Marshall** who took third in the same event.

Tyler Black, who is usually most competitive in the pole vault for the Aztecs, taking fifth at the Husky Invite and ninth at the Aztec Invite, is also right in the mix in both the long jump and triple jump field events.

Jordan Meise has been the top Aztec performer in the triple jump taking fourth place at both the Aztec and Husky Invite.

Patric Bjotvedt and **Akash Patel**, both seniors, are the leading Aztec finishers in the throwing events.

Bjotvedt was second in the shot put and fourth in the discus at the Husky Invite and then fifth at shot put at the Aztec Invite.

Teammate Patel was second in the discus at the Husky Invite and seventh in the shot put at both meets.

The next big track meet where both the boys and the girls team had an opportunity to show how they have improved was the NIKE Chandler Rotary Track Meet scheduled for March 18-19 at Chandler High School.

Up next, the Aztecs will be competing March 22 at Valley Christian and then March 24 at the 11th Annual Basha Co-Ed Relays.

McClintock Track and Field

The Chargers, a DII team, had several track athletes on both the boys and girls team compete at the Aztec Invite, March 5, against 13 other high school, most of whom were DI schools.

On the girls team, **Lynnique Carroll** competed in three individual events taking fourth place in the 100 meters, eighth place in the 200 meters and fourth place in the long jump.

She was also part of the 4x100 relay team of **Zy'Nique Simpson**, Carroll, **Kennidee Hill** and **Sophia Bruckner** who crossed the finish line in seventh place out of 13 teams.

Bruckner, Hill and Simpson also competed in the 100 meters while Bruckner, **Elione Williams**, and

Hill ran in the 200 meters.

Williams finished 27th in the 400 meters while **Tianna Baker** was the long distance runner for the team taking ninth place in the 1600 meters and 14th in the 800 meters.

In the field events, **Ziah Lawrence** and **Marissa Brantley** both competed in the shot put and discus throw while Bruckner and Hill places 14th and 22nd in the long jump.

The top finisher for the boys team was **Deiontay Dozier** with a second place finish in the 40-yard dash with a time of 4.89.

Dozier also competed in the 100 meters taking 18th place followed by teammate **Zachary Land** in 32nd.

Land finished the 200 meters in 19th place while **Isaiah Hall** was 28th in that race but finished in 19th place in the 400 meters.

McClintock had four runners in the 1600 meters including **Abdi Aden**, ninth place, **Torren Baker**, 28th, **John Cleveland**, 36th, and **Casey Brown**, 39th place.

The Chargers had five athletes compete in the field events at the Aztec Invite: **Asher Hayton**, **Thin Thach**, **Wyatt Palmer**, **Jazin Hodge** and Dozier.

Dozier was the top finisher with a 15th finish in the long jump followed by Thach, 20th in the discus, Hayton, 28th in the discus, Hayden 29th in the shot put and Thach 38th in the shot put.

Palmer competed in both the discus and shot put.

McClintock will once again be challenging several DI schools at the NIKE Chandler Rotary Track Meet scheduled March 18-19 at Chandler High School.

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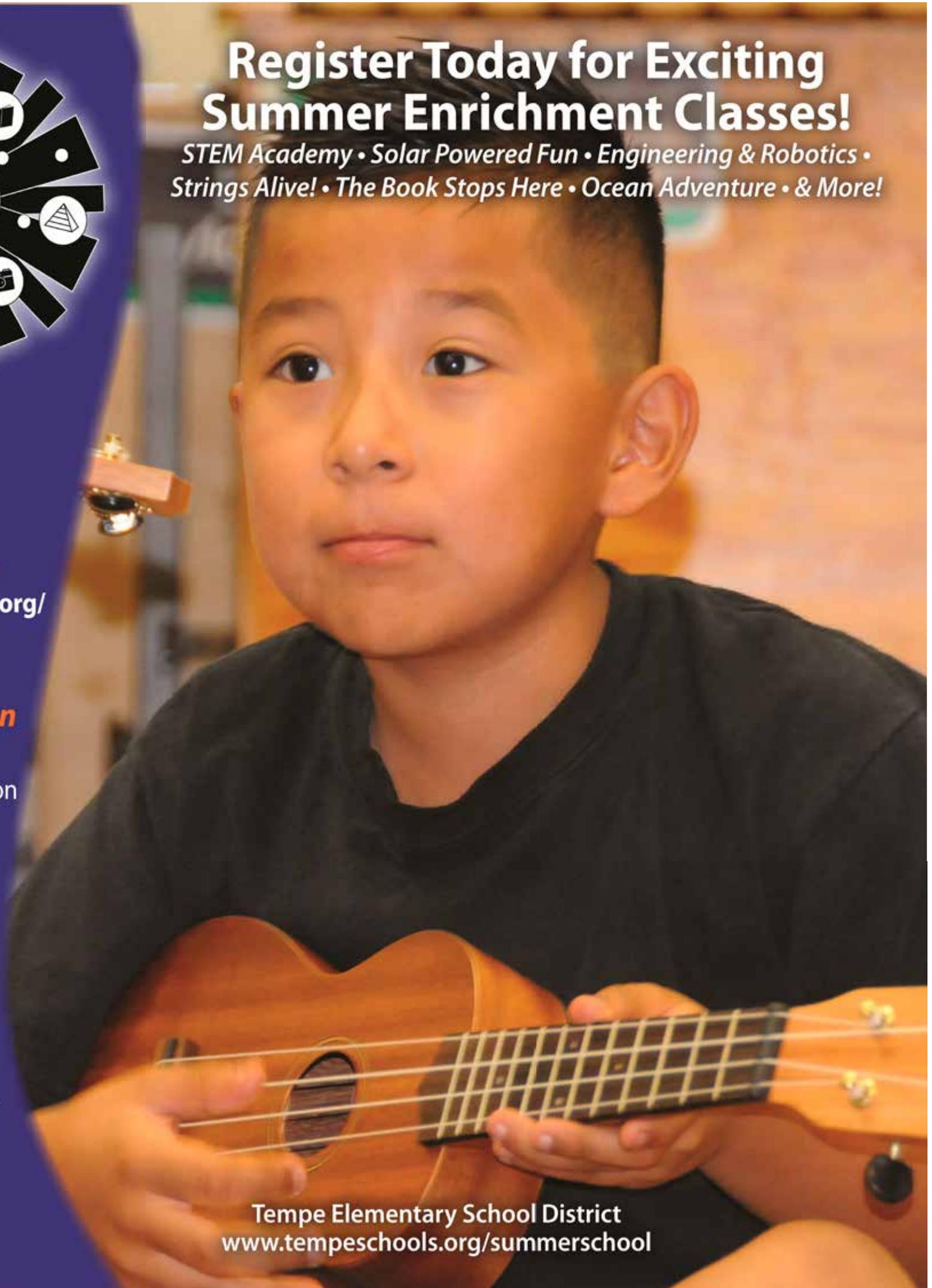
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Reaching beyond the traditional 3 R's Schools focus on emotional growth

By Diana Whittle

An emerging trend in education is mandatory testing for traits commonly known as social-emotional learning. Its focus is to teach life skills such as self-control, discipline and conscientiousness.

According to *The New York Times* on Feb. 29: "This kind of learning hopes to cultivate all the skills you should have learned in kindergarten, but are still reading self-help books to master in middle-age."

The article goes on to say that starting this year, eight school districts in California will test students on specific life skills, including growth mind-set, social awareness, academic self-confidence and self-management.

It's not easy to test on non-academic measures to judge student performance, and many educators feel no need to mandate this kind of assessment, including Dr. Shari Dukes, director of student learning and support services in the Kyrene School District.

"We do not test for emotional or social behavior in Kyrene; but, we have many programs that do develop and reward the social and emotional behavior of our students," said Dukes.

"All Kyrene schools value and teach citizenship," said Dukes, "and support a program called Rachel's Challenge that encourages compassion between students."

"We also are moving into the second year of a middle-school program called Where Everyone Belongs. It's training for eighth graders who become mentors to sixth graders from their very first day of middle school," explained Dukes.

A long-standing teaching philosophy in the Kyrene district is to develop the whole child, explained Nancy Dudenhofer, assistant director of community relations.

"Every day, children engage in simple skills like taking their turn, working in a collaborative group and learning appropriate coping strategies to use throughout their day."

Kyrene schools also adhere to a program called the Principles of Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports, or PBIS. PBIS is based on the idea that, when students are taught clearly defined behavioral expectations and provided with predictable responses to their behavior, both positive and corrective, all students

are more likely to meet those expectations.

Dudenhofer says that, district-wide, the PBIS framework has proven to improve school climate, reduce problem behavior and increase academic instructional time. In fact, two primary areas of emphasis in PBIS are prevention and instruction of social behavior, she said.

At the C.J. Waggoner Elementary School, teachers have introduced the PBIS method to parents with what's being called The Waggoner Way.

"The school's staff has worked together to develop The Waggoner Way, which matches the principles of PBIS in a way that fits the goals, mission and culture of this elementary school," said Dudenhofer.

Waggoner has school rules, including be safe, be respectful, be responsible and PAW-sitives, another word for recognition of good behavior.

"On a daily basis, a student can earn a PAW-sitives recognition slip when they are observed being safe, respectful or responsible by a staff member," said Dudenhofer.

"Students who earn a PAW-sitive goal slip place the slip in the basket to be in a Monday morning drawing, and five students who are selected receive a small reward of their choice, such as a bookmark, library book coupon or other positive item."

The Waggoner Way even encourages parents to become partners with the school's teachers and re-enforce the positive behavior program at home.

The other large school district in the area, Tempe Elementary, also does not test for social-emotional functioning as part of its assessments.

"However," noted Dr. John Wilson, the district's director of research, evaluation and assessment, "the National Center for Education Statistics states on its website that included in the Middle School Longitudinal Study for 2016-17 will be a focus on socio-emotional functioning." But, he added, "it's not a focus of our tests at this time."

So, in Tempe, the trend remains that classroom learning is the best place to introduce academic-related social and emotional competencies. The current goal is teaching life skills to help students do well in their education and successfully navigate into adulthood, concludes Kyrene's learning-services director Dukes.

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The Chandler Fire, Health & Medical (CFHM) Department's 2016 drowning prevention campaign will kick off on Saturday, April 2, when volunteers go door-to-door through a local neighborhood to share a water safety message and help prevent water related tragedies in the community. Individuals, families, churches, scouting groups, service clubs, businesses, swim teams and other organizations are invited to

participate by calling 480-782-2124 or emailing chandlerfire@chandleraz.gov.

This year, the walk area is north Chandler and will include neighborhoods east of the Loop 101 Price Freeway, and north of Galveston St. Volunteers will meet at 9 a.m. at Desert Oasis Aquatic Center, located at 1400 W. Summit Place, where they will receive instructions, maps and door hangers with water safety information. Participants will then walk their assigned route and leave a door hanger at every home.

Additional water safety tips and drowning prevention information is available on the CFHM website at chandleraz.gov/fire.



Designers wanted for Trashion Fashion Show

If you're creative and into recycling, consider entering Chandler's 2nd Annual Trashion Fashion Show.

A combination of trash and fashion, the Trashion Fashion

Show provides entrants with an opportunity to use their design skills to create and exhibit a garment created from discarded materials. Chandler residents or students that attend a Chandler school have until April 29 to register. Registration forms and more information are available at chandleraz.gov/recycle. The runway show and judging will be held May 21 at Chandler Fashion Center.

Chandler's Solid Waste Services Division is organizing the event and at least 75 percent of a garment must be made from recyclable or reused materials that would otherwise be thrown away or recycled. Twenty-five entries will be accepted in three age categories; ages 10-13, 14-17 and 18-plus.

Persons interested in assisting, mentoring or inspiring young designers should contact traci.conaway@chandleraz.gov or call 480-782-3525. In addition, prize donations are being accepted from local businesses.

Let's Pull Together needs your help

Looking for a way to give back? Chandler is looking for volunteers to assist with its annual "Let's Pull Together" community service events.



Held every Saturday during the month of April (April 2, 9, 16 and 23), volunteers help remove weeds from public rights-of-way

and assist seniors and disabled residents with their yard work. If you are interested in volunteering as part of a team or an individual, please contact Cristabel Dykstra with the City's Neighborhood Programs Section at 480-782-4354 or email cristabel.dykstra@chandleraz.gov. Those in need of assistance with weed removal also are encouraged to contact the City.

Jazz Festival returns



This April, Downtown Chandler will again turn the spotlight on its jazz scene with the return of the Chandler Jazz Festival, April 1-2. In celebration of Jazz Appreciation Month, the two-day festival hosts more than 70 artists across 13 venues. Each night the main stage culminates with must-see sets by two renowned musical legends: 2014 Arizona Blues Showdown Winner, R.D. Olson Blues Band and Academy Award performer, El Chicano. The complete festival entertainment schedule is available online at chandleraz.gov/jazz.

Family Easter Celebration

Chandler's Family Easter Celebration will be held from 9 a.m. until noon, Saturday, March 26, at Snedigar Sportsplex and provides some of the most enthusiastic Easter Egg Scrambles in the Valley for kids up to 9 years old. For more information, visit chandleraz.gov/easter.

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- 19 Great American Barbeque & Beer Festival, A.J. Chandler Park, 234-4232
- 20 Chandler Symphony, Center for the Arts, 782-2680
- 22 Rainwater Harvesting Workshop, Chandler City Hall, 782-3580
- 26 Family Easter Celebration, Snedigar Sportsplex, 782-2669
- 26 LibCon 2016, Boys & Girls Club, Compadre Branch, 782-2800

- 28 City Council Study Session, Council Chambers, 782-2180
- 29 McQueen Road Improvements Public Meeting, Hamilton Branch Library, 602-750-7139
- 29-31 Then They Came for Us Exhibit, CGCC Pecos Campus, 782-2214
- 30 Holocaust-era Rail Car Display, CGCC Pecos Campus, Parking Lot 2, 782-2214
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APRIL

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*Discerning Diner, revisited***The incredible, edible egg: All you wanted to know & more**

Editor's note: As mentioned in previous issues, we frequently hear from readers who miss the postings of our longtime Discerning Diner, who several years ago moved on to a career as editor of a national magazine. However, especially on the occasion of special holidays, we can't help but reprint the columns that were so eagerly received—and now are so universally missed.

Growing up, it never occurred to me that Easter eggs might serve some edible function. My family was (and is) what I like to refer to as “germ-conscious,” what someone else might call borderline obsessive-compulsive.

Eggs were thought of as small grenades of salmonella. To eat an egg that was raw or undercooked (in mousses, mayonnaise or Caesar salad—even, alas, in cookie dough) was to play fast and loose with life itself.

To eat an egg that had been outside of refrigerated containment for more than an hour, nestled in grass that lodged microbes too numerous to conceive... well, that was anathema.

Our ancestors, of course, shared neither these concerns nor the affluence that permits their indulgence. The Easter egg tradition began in the 15th century, when the eggs that were forbidden to Christians during Lent were collected and saved for Easter.

They were dipped in fat or wax to preserve them, colored and decorated to make them more appealing. Can you imagine? Not just an hour without temperature-controlled, artificial refrigeration, but 40 days. It rather puts things in perspective, but I don't think I'd like to eat those eggs, either.

The fact is, although eggs have a remarkably



long shelf life, they're best eaten fresh. Eggs can be months old by the time you buy them at a supermarket, so check the sell-by dates closely, and don't buy more than you'll use in a week.

If you have a source for fresh farm eggs, exploit it, because these eggs are wonderful, really. The difference in quality is obvious.

Barring that, I like to buy organic and/or free-range eggs. Unfortunately, these can get expensive; the Whole Foods brand is a good bargain, and with a store at Baseline and Rural roads, only a vow of poverty should stand in the way of their purchase.

Few things in this world compare to a fresh, freshly hard-boiled egg—provided, that is, that you do it up right.

A properly hard-boiled egg is a pleasure, with a silky-smooth white and a moist, creamy yolk. It is truly gourmet food, and in fact, I recently had such an egg at Chez Panisse, the celebrated restaurant in Berkeley, Calif.

Overcook this same egg, however, and its white turns rubbery, its yolk, chalky and gray-green. This is your standard Easter egg, your standard cafeteria-

salad-bar egg, and there is little to recommend it. Yet nothing stands between the two eggs but time and technique.

Fortunately, it's easy to make a good hard-boiled egg.

Use a pan large enough to hold the eggs in a single layer, covered with an inch of cold water. Bring the whole thing to a boil over high heat, then remove the pan, cover it and let it sit: 10 to 12 minutes for a rather wet yolk, 14 to 16 minutes for a rather dry one.

I like a “12-minute egg,” unless I'm making egg salad, where wet yolks are a liability.

These times, by the way, are for elevations found in our conjoined Tempe/West Chandler community; at higher elevations, say during a summer holiday in Flagstaff or Pinetop, let the eggs sit longer.

When time's up, immediately transfer the eggs to a bowl of ice water so they'll stop cooking.

(I get a laugh every time I write this line, recalling one grammatically flawed recipe that advised: “Remove the eggs and plunge into a bowl of ice water.”)

This technique somehow seems to be asking for trouble, particularly if you're one of those people who catches cold easily. But I digress.)

Next comes the tricky part: peeling the eggs. I use a technique that I learned from *Cook's Illustrated*, a wonderful magazine and cookbook series.

Tap the egg all over to crack its shell, then roll it gently back and forth on the counter.

Now begin peeling from the air pocket end. The shell should come off in spiral strips.

Does this work every time? No. But a little mayonnaise, a little salt, a little lemon juice and some capers—my standard egg salad ingredients, adjusted to taste—should take care of any disasters.

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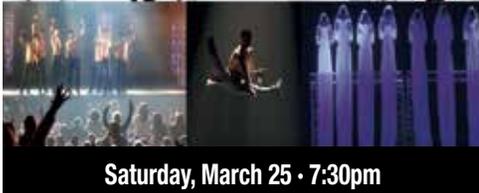
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Film Fare . . . with M.V. Moorhead

Opening this week

The Bronze — Along with *Race* and *Eddie the Eagle*, this is the third movie in the last month or so about the Olympic Games, and all three are very different from each other indeed.

Diminutive Melissa Rauch, who plays the squeaky-voiced Bernadette on *The Big Bang Theory*, stars in this comedy, which she co-wrote with her husband Winston Rauch.

She plays Hope Annabelle Gregory, who finished her routine in Women's Gymnastics at the Olympics in heroic, soul-stirring fashion, fighting through an ankle injury a la Kerri Strug.

Unlike Strug, however, Hope took the Bronze rather than the Gold, and the injury effectively ended her career.

She returned to Amherst, Ohio ("Sandstone Center of the World"), where more than 10 years later she's still treated like a privileged celebrity—her own parking space, free stuff at the mall and the diner, her name on the sign coming into town. Unemployed, she still lives with, sponges off of, and verbally abuses her long-suffering widowed postman Dad (Gary Cole).

She's bitter, selfish, defensive, deceitful and extremely foul-mouthed.

Despite the raunchy, raucous tone, this very plausible story has a poignant edge, and for a while I thought it was going to sink the movie.

An ongoing shtick on *The Big Bang Theory* is the steeliness and bullying threat that regularly burst out of Rauch's Bernadette, in contrast to her superficial

cuddly sweetness.

The Bronze starts out as, more or less, a whole movie hinged on this gag, and while it's funny for a while, Hope seems too mean and unpleasant to hold our interest at feature length.

When her old coach dies, however, Hope receives notice of a sizable inheritance, if she takes over the training of the promising young gymnast Maggie (Haley Lu Richardson), who idolizes her.

At first, fearful that her pupil will outdo her and usurp her place in town, Hope blatantly sabotages her, but eventually...

Well, you see where it's heading. There's even a love interest, in the form of the talented young comic Thomas Middleditch.

The good news is that Rauch shades her characterization from despicable to sort-of-likable gradually and incrementally, and director Bryan Buckley keeps the proceedings lewd and crude throughout.

As a result, the story's potential sentimentality is held at bay, and sure enough, we start to care about, and develop some hope, for Hope.

Still in theaters

10 Cloverfield Lane — After a car crash on a rural Louisiana road, a young woman named Michelle wakes up imprisoned in an underground bunker equipped for doomsday.

Her survivalist host/captor Howard tells her that there's been an attack—maybe nuclear, maybe chemical, maybe alien, he's not sure—that the air outside is toxic, and that they're stuck underground for at least a year or two.

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Film

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At first Michelle thinks Howard's crazy, and tries several times to escape. But indications start to accumulate that maybe something apocalyptic really did happen outside.

This chamber-piece thriller, directed by Dan Trachtenberg, is being marketed as somehow very vaguely a companion piece to the 2008 found-footage monster movie *Cloverfield*. Any such connection seemed tenuous at best to me, but this isn't a complaint, as *10 Cloverfield Lane* is, on the whole, a stronger, more memorable movie than *Cloverfield*.

It's anchored on the masterly turn of John Goodman as Howard. Aside from an occasional angry outburst, Howard is soft-spoken, patient, even kindly in a brusque sort of way, and he has moments, like his purse-lipped little smile when he and his guests sit down to dinner, that even suggest ironic humor.

Yet a terrible, longing mania keeps seeping out of his eyes and from the corners of his mouth,

signaling his scary potential to turn monstrous. Goodman doesn't hit a false note, and his riveting performance gives the impression of effortlessness, of not breaking a sweat.

Mary Elizabeth Winstead makes Michelle a courageous and resourceful heroine. Her frightened but never paralyzed reactions win the audience's admiration. And John Gallagher, Jr. is touching as the dim but decent Emmet, the shelter's uninvited third resident.

Near the end, *10 Cloverfield Lane* finally gives us a look outside. Without going into details, suffice to say that, for ten minutes or so, it turns into a different sort of movie, and, though entertaining, a lesser one, I'd say.

It's a testament to the movie's claustrophobic force that it still feels liberating, almost joyous, just to get out of that hole in the ground.

The Bronze is rated R and *10 Cloverfield Lane* is rated PG-13, and both play at Harkins Tempe Marketplace, Arizona Mills, Chandler Fashion 20 and other multiplexes Valleywide.

Zone

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At Waggoner, friendly staff greet parents and children, gathering nearly 100 well-behaved, K-8 youngsters around a stage, where they sit crosslegged and eager, while one of the site coordinators, 10-year Kid Zone veteran Aaron Villicana, leads the group in an eye-hand skill set, before a young volunteer gives a brief extemporaneous speech, trying to complete it without those awkward "uhm's."

Oh, no! One of those pauses slips into her talk and she's squirted with a bit of water, causing everyone to erupt in peals of laughter—and eager to try the challenge themselves.

Mr. Aaron—all staff members are addressed courteously—introduces several staffers who describe the day's activities so campers can make choices. "We're all about choices," King explains. "We try to introduce the kids to key concepts and terms. And with each section, we try to have the kids make something to take home to spark conversations."

First up is Miss Audrey, who's in charge of Kid Zone's STEM, the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics program sponsored by the city of Tempe

and assisted with a generous grant from Tempe Diablos. "Today we're going to have some crazy fun, making glow-in-the-dark worms—or if you're really gross—boogers!" Again, bursts of laughter at the unexpected reference.

Nearly 30 youngsters gather at her station, prepped with translucent cups of water. "We'll add gel and some 'worm activator.' The molecules will attach to each other and form a long string. That's called a 'polymer.' And tonight you can tell your parents you made worms. It's been a loooong time since they were in school, so you can explain about molecules and polymers."

The youngsters giggle at the thought of teaching their parents.

"I'm going to be a geek when I grow up," says Jake. "Science is super cool." The kids fish out their worms from the water cups. "It's invisible," announces Jaiden. "And squishy," adds Madison. "Mine's the longest," says Nick.

Miss Audrey holds her phone under each cup. Having ingeniously taped and inked the light, she's created an inexpensive black-light so the polymers glow. "Cool!" announces one experimenter. "I'm going to name mine 'Wormie!'"

Meanwhile, Mr. Z, the humorously self-proclaimed All-Time Quarterback, has taken his group outside to play football.

At another station, Miss Alex describes some new inside games and invites kids to try them.

A second site coordinator, Ty Clifford, looks like a collegiate big brother with orange running shoes, well-trimmed beard and neat man-bun.

A parks-and-recreation major at ASU, Kid Zone was his first job in high school. He continued through college and now celebrates his tenth year as a staffer. Sharing gardening and cooking skills with students, he's helped plant a vegetable garden and works with the nutrition segment of Kid Zone.

"We made pickles earlier this week," he says. "Today we'll sample them and the kids'll take some home. It's a combination science project. They measured out vinegar, sugar, water and spices. They learned knife skills to cut the cucumbers, and we talked about the vinegar's chemical reaction on cucumbers." The result? Crunchy, garlicky-tasting pickles.

In another area, Miss Cassidy's charges enthusiastically show their creations.

"Look at my sheep." Fiona holds up her roly-poly, cotton-ball sheep with clothespin legs. "Her face is gold. And she has turquoise sparkly stars on her back." Leaning in for a closer look, Briana shows her ice cream cone made with tongue depressors and painted cotton balls.

"My favorite flavor is mint chip," she says. Mikayla, with dancierlike grace, snuggles in to see. "And I made a puppet," Mason adds, showing an elaborate convolution of strings and clothespins.

"Away from all this hub-bub, the kindergartners have their own special, safe place," says the third site coordinator, Andrea Copado. "It's a 'happy room,' designed by the talented Miss Adilene." A barely perceptible fragrance scents the room, dominated by a wall-size yellow submarine.

Brightly colored tables mimic those of the older youngsters, but these are set with materials to make a spy glass or a treasure map, furthering the pirate theme.

"We're already planning for another outstanding summer camp," King says. "Registration is available online or at the Kid Zone office at the Viehl Center, adjacent to the Tempe Public Library at Rural and Southern."

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Artistry stitches together story of the 12 Tribes of Israel

By Joyce Coronel

With Easter and Passover just around the corner, Christians and Jews turn their hearts toward Israel. For many, a trip to the Holy Land represents the culmination of a lifetime of hopes and dreams.

For those who can't make the journey, a bit of Israel has come to Arizona. That's because an impressive display of colorful needlepoint renditions of the stained-glass windows created by Marc Chagall representing the 12 tribes of Israel is on display at Epiphany Episcopal Church in Tempe.

The brilliant red, blue, yellow and green hues in the stitching replicate that seen in the 11-foot by eight-foot windows designed by Chagall that grace the synagogue inside the Haddassah Medical Center in Jerusalem.

So how did the needlepoint creations symbolizing the 12 sons of Jacob wind up in Tempe?

The path to the Grand Canyon state has been a circuitous one indeed. It all began in 1976 when Pat McKewin and her husband, an Episcopal priest, led a tour to Israel. On the very first day, one of the pilgrims, McKewin's friend, suffered a stroke and wound up in the Haddassah Medical Center.

While the tour continued without them, McKewin stayed in the hospital with her friend. She visited the synagogue at the medical center and noticed the 12 stained-glass windows.

Lyn Jensen, a parishioner at Epiphany, was on the tour that year and remembers that McKewin found a needlepoint kit at the hospital that depicted one of the windows. Working steadily over the years, she managed to complete the first seven kits.

"Eventually, she got crippled with arthritis to the point where she couldn't finish it," Jensen said.

Molly Voita, McKewin's daughter, pitched in to help. "In about 1997, the arthritis won and she couldn't finish number eight. So, for her birthday that year I finished that one," Voita said.

Recalling the moment, Voita explained that the eight needlepoint creations looked more like craft projects since they weren't professionally matted and framed due to her mother's limited means. During Christmas of 1997, McKewin was in the hospital battling an infection and Voita and her sisters decided to have all eight canvases framed correctly.

"They went from cute little craft projects to serious art," Voita said. "She actually saw all eight of them hang in her little Section 8 (government assisted) apartment in Minneapolis. And she died two weeks later."

And that, Voita thought, was the end of

that. Except her father placed the completion of the Twelve Tribes of Israel needlepoint project at the top of his bucket list.

"My dad, who was an Episcopal priest, had all the subtlety of a sledge hammer," Voita laughed. "Oh, if I only had Joseph before I die.' He was the drama king himself. And you know, 'Couldn't you girls finish off the rest of them?'"

Voita's sister, who was a seminary student at the time, found out the rest of the needlepoint kits could be purchased from a catalog. The last four windows, it turns out, were much more intricate.

"It took us another three years to get the last four done," Voita said. "I did all the black work of the outlining and leading on all four and I did Isaachcar, the green one. My sister Barb, the Methodist pastor, did Joseph."

Voita's daughter, Sheila, and granddaughter, Dialyn, stitched Zebulon.

Simeon was the last "window" to be completed and was stitched by multiple people, including Voita's husband.

"Anyone who wanted to learn how to needlepoint or would sit still and needlepoint while we would do ours, could work on Simeon," Voita said. The last of the canvases to be stitched, Simeon was completed in 2008.

One of the creations looks slightly different. Just before having Issachar framed, Voita read that the Chagall windows were badly damaged in the 1967 Six Day War. The artist was still alive at the time and repaired the windows, except for one. He left a bullet hole in Issachar so that people would never forget the war that might have ended differently. Voita added a sequin and a pearl to the Issachar canvas to indicate where the bullet hole is.

What began in 1976 as a way to pass the time at a friend's bedside ultimately became an heirloom project spanning four generations of women.

The 12 colorful pieces are on loan to Epiphany Church, but Voita and Jensen said the hope is that other churches will also have the opportunity to enjoy them for a spell.

"This was our mother's dream, to get all 12 done and that they should go out on loan to all the different churches that would like to have them," Voita said. "They've been to three or four plus a seminary, so they're getting out."

Voita finally made her own journey to Israel in 2009, after the needles and embroidery floss had been put away and the canvases were all framed.

"It was my mother's project," Voita said. "But after I went to the Haddassah Medical Center in Jerusalem and saw the real ones, then it was my project too."



Molly Voita: A labor of love

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Pair among Valley's top executives

Jodi Polanski, executive director of Lost Our Home Pet Foundation, and Michelle Mac Lennan, general manager of Chandler Center for the Arts, may not, at first glance, have much in common. But both were selected among the 2016 Outstanding Women in Business by the *Phoenix Business Journal*.

The Women in Business

Awards program recognizes 30 Valley women who have proven to be dynamic and outstanding leaders with established track records of significant accomplishments in business and/or community service.

This year's winners will be recognized at an awards luncheon Monday, April 4, at Westin Kierland Resort and Spa in Phoenix.



Graffiti hits So. Tempe

Vandals struck near Kyrene Middle School last week. Tempe police responded and the damage had been painted over within two days. Studies show that the best way to stop graffiti is to regularly remove it. The city of Tempe has negotiated a flat rate with an area removal service. As part of an annual contract that can be paid for by the homeowner, Graffiti Protective Coatings Inc. will inspect property for graffiti every two weeks and cover any graffiti that is there, sending before and after images. Annual cost is determined by lineal feet. Information: www.graffitiarizona.com

— Wrangler News photo

A re-birth for Hayden's Ferry Days

By Peggy Bryant

Tempe Historical Society is taking a cue from Tempe's 1970-71 Centennial Year celebration in initiating what it plans to make an annual celebration of Tempe's history and heritage.

In partnership with several other Tempe organizations, the Society's Board of Directors will debut Hayden's Ferry Days, March 18-19, with a bevy of activities for all ages.

They range from open houses at a couple of historic buildings to a classic car show and a slew of activities and entertainment by some famous musicians who have had past history with Tempe. Open to the public, the activities will be taking place in downtown Tempe and vicinity, the Tempe History Museum-Library area at 809 W. Southern Ave., and on the east side of Kiwanis Park in the Mill Avenue-Baseline Road area.

Historical Society Board President Richard Bauer said groups participating in the First Hayden's Ferry Days are hoping the event will become a major annual celebration in Tempe and will result in more Tempeans getting involved in preserving the city's history. Partners in the project include the city of Tempe, and Tempe's History Museum, Historic Preservation Foundation, Sister Cities Organization, Downtown Tempe Authority and Kiwanis Club of Tempe.

Opening the celebration will be a by-reservation-only Friday night dinner, hosted by Tempe Sister Cities Organization at Tempe's historic Hackett House in downtown Tempe for the celebration's sponsors and donors and their guest. Arizona's Official State Historian Marshall Trimble will be guest speaker for the evening.

For the public, Saturday's activities will be taking place between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

They will include a "Walk Thru History" in downtown Tempe and at the historic Hackett House from 8 to 11 a.m.; 9 a.m. to noon open houses at the

seldom-open to the public Petersen House at 1414 W. Southern Ave., and the recently restored 1930s adobe pueblo style Rose Eisendrath House, now a Center for Water Conservation studies and research, 1400 N. College Ave.; and the 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kiwanis Nuevo Catch-A-Wave Car Show at Kiwanis Park where there will be food and other vendors, entertainment, exhibits, a silent auction and some 140 vehicles on display..

The celebration will continue from noon to 6 p.m. in the Museum/Library area with activities for kids and adults, including entertainment by Dolan Ellis, Arizona's Official Balladeer for 46 years; Dan "Igor" Glenn and the Jazz Cowboys; and solo blue art of Hans Olson.

Both Dolan and Ellis are former members of the New Christy Minstrels. Olson helped found Tempe's Sun Club which launched the Gin Blossoms and others on national careers. All three have been part of Tempe's musical scene in the past.

Inside and outside at the Tempe History Museum, there also will be kids activities and the continuing Legend City exhibit inside the museum, vendors and information booths, food trucks and more.

The celebration takes its name from from the major April 1971 activities which wound up a year-long Centennial Celebration in Tempe. Virtually the whole community took part in the events of Hayden's Ferry Days. Hayden's Ferry was the name the little settlement on the Salt River banks had initially informally acquired, dubbed for the ferry across the river devised by Charles Trumbull Hayden after he began settling in the area in 1870.

The former Tucson wagon-freighter had decided the area would be an ideal place for a flour mill. Allegedly, a Phoenix postmaster in 1879 decided the name was too long and re-named it Tempe—a name suggested by the same Englishman who named Phoenix, Lord Darrell Duppa. He said the area reminded him of the Vale of Tempe in Greece.

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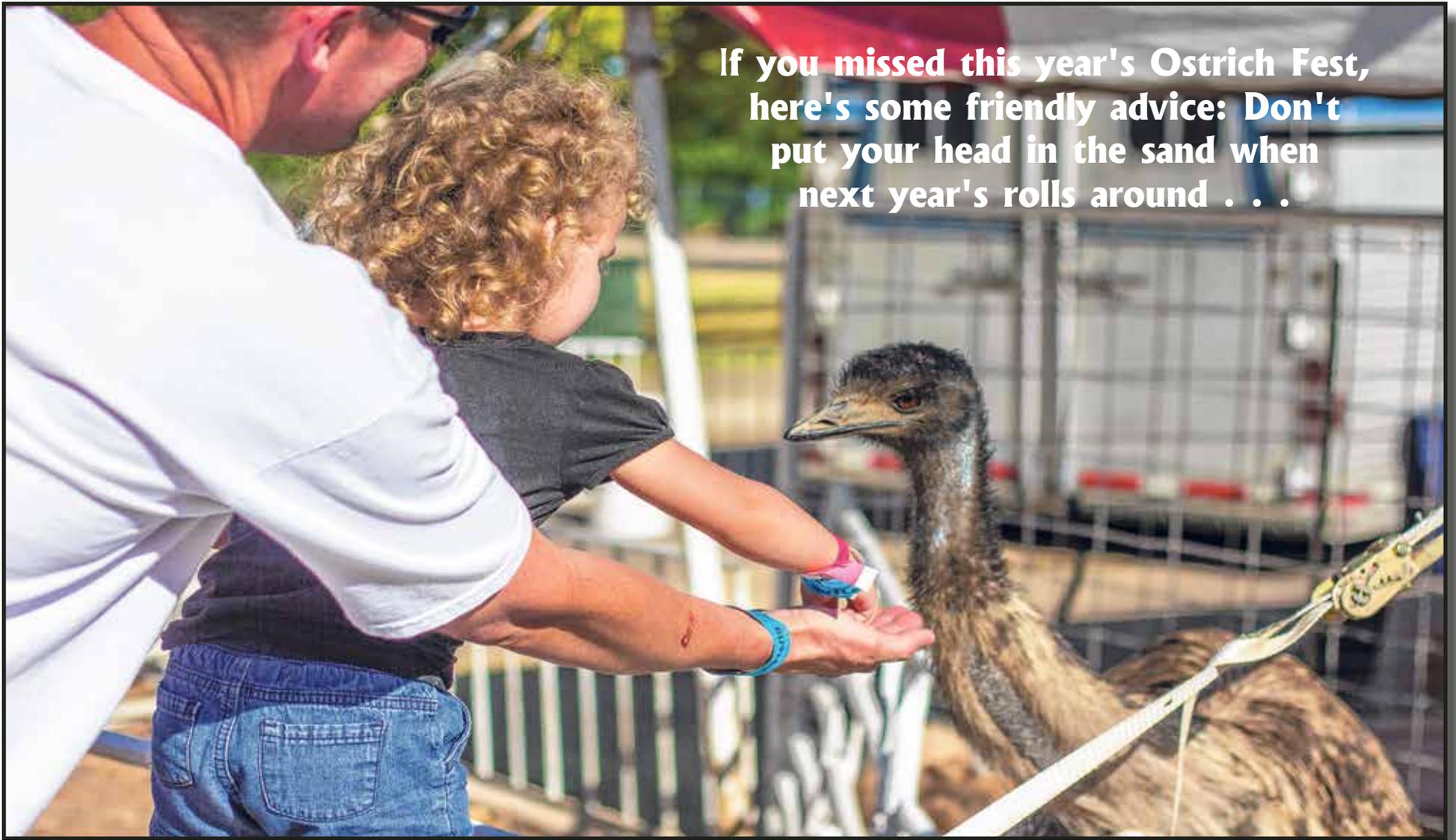
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The Oasis in Tempe



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