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Capital budget draws most comment at So. Tempe forum

By Mark Crudup

Tempe City Manager Charlie Meyer and Director of Finance and Technology Ken Jones presented a new budgetary policy to residents during a public forum April 12 at the south Tempe police substation on Hardy Drive.

Among the approximately 30 residents attending the session, the most vocal majority expressed concerns over a variety of issues they said they have with the capital budget plan projected for the next five years.

Meyer tried to ease any such concerns, reassuring the group that Tempe's budget is stabilizing.

"We've been on an absolute roller coaster for the last three years, and we're not any longer," he said. "We're not looking at any big budget deficit for 2011-12," he said. "We're looking at pretty much what we expected."

The capital improvements program, which Jones said the City Council will be asked to formally approve in the near future, was the main topic of the meeting. Officials said tenets of the program already have been "adopted in concept" by the council members.

According to Meyer, the CIP as proposed would allow the current \$1.40 property tax for Tempe residents to float over time, allowing the city to collect a consistent amount of second-

ary property taxes for a list of city projects.

"This is the process for funding the capital program," Jones said. "This is what will affect you the most."

The funds that would go toward paying for the CIP would pay for new buildings, maintenance of existing buildings and roads, and a variety of other projects aimed at improving city streets, dams and other facilities.

Meyer said some major challenges face the budget this year, and it would be "irresponsible not to recommend the Capital Improvements Plan to the City Council."

"(The plan) is essentially taking care of basics," Meyer said. "The projects are things that need to be done — replacing fire trucks that are in need of replacement, maintaining our roads and the lights in the park."

The funding, however, is what seemed to concern some residents who attended the meeting, apparently stemming from allowing property taxes to increase or decrease with property values.

Jones said that, in order to pay off the city's debt and maintain a cushion for future financial predicaments, it's essential to implement the capital plan that allows the property tax rate to float over time.

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Volunteers honored as vital backbone of hospital's patient care commitment

By Alison Stanton

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As a student in medical school, Farzad Ghobadian wanted to be sure he would be comfortable working in a hospital setting.

Last August, he began volunteering at Chandler Regional Medical Center.

A west Chandler resident, Ghobadian spends an average of four hours a week working in the post-anesthesia care unit, helping look after patients who are coming out of surgery.

"They are usually there for an hour or an hour and a half, and we have to make sure they are stable before they can go home or go up to their room and stay the night at the hospital," he said.

"Depending on how busy it is, we either hang out with the patients, or we do things like stock the area with the correct supplies, clean the area, change the bedding, and other things like that.

"Some people might think of it as 'oh,

they are just making beds,' but it's really important to keep the area clean because you don't want to allow infections to be spread around."

Ghobadian said the nurses often tell him and the other volunteers how grateful they are for their help.

"It's very helpful to them; if we didn't do it, they would have to, and they are already really busy," he said.

During the week of April 10-16, volunteers like Ghobadian were officially acknowledged for their hard work by both Chandler Regional and its sister medical center, Mercy Gilbert. As part of Volunteer Appreciation Week, Ghobadian said he and other volunteers planned to attend a special movie night at Harkins Theater, where they were to be recognized for their service.

According to Hayat Bearat, a hospital spokeswoman, more than 550 volunteers serve at both locations, and

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Attorney Lou Silverman: Adult children need to address sometimes difficult issues. — Photo courtesy Linda Hernandez

Workshop explains what adult children need to know as parents near life's end

By Alison Stanton

As an attorney who has worked in the areas of estate planning and trusts for more than 20 years, Lou Silverman is well aware that many people do not feel comfortable discussing anything with their families that has to do with growing older, becoming disabled or, ultimately, dying.

Silverman also knows how complex these issues can be in regards to the law, and how rules and regulations regarding trusts and other topics can change over time. This, he said, only underscores how important it is for people to learn about these subjects, even if it makes them uneasy.

In an effort to educate Kyrene Corridor residents and their neighbors about these often- sensitive

topics, explain recent changes to the laws that surround them, and ease some anxieties along the way, Silverman is hosting a Legacy Planning Workshop at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, at the south Tempe offices of Dynamic World Training Consultants, 4500 S. Lakeshore Drive.

Silverman said he is offering the workshop both in person and as an Internet-based program that can be attended remotely. Anyone interested in the online version can contact his office to sign up with a name and email, and they'll be given log-on information and a password.

Silverman, whose firm Silverman Law Offices is also in Tempe, said the workshop will cover what people need to know and do in the event of a

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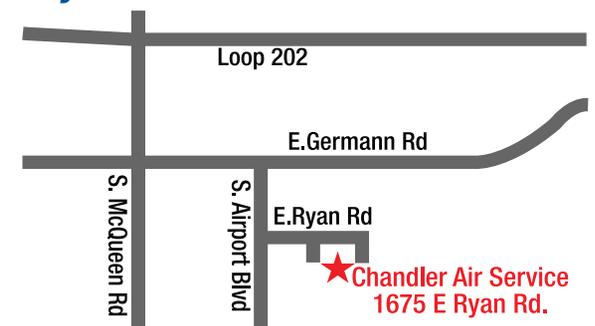
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Fine dining not all that's gone with departure of one of So. Tempe's most iconic restaurants

Commentary

In his past 20-some years as the reigning monarch of south Tempe's small but solidly established community of family owned restaurants, Tony Romano has held court over an impressive domain of notables—sports figures, prominent business people, high-profile folks who represented a Who's Who of the Valley's most successful.

And though his name wasn't always the first to come to mind in one of those categories, Neven Bajlo, the owner of John Henry's, a stand-alone province of fine dining, was a longtime member of Romano's core constituency of friends.

Thus, to Romano, the closing of John Henry's earlier this month represented not only the departure of one of the Valley's most revered restaurants but of a longtime friend, as well.

Romano and Bajlo have known each other from the time of the two owners' nearly simultaneous arrival on the south Tempe restaurant scene—Romano offering fare focused on his family's Italian roots, Bajlo creating a

continental menu and a staff trained in the fine art of traditional European dining.

"We got along from day one," said Romano of his friend Bajlo. But while Romano owns the building that houses his restaurant, Marcello's Pasta Grill, in the Cobblestone Village center at Warner and McClintock, Bajlo leased the John Henry's site from developer Michael Pollock, which created an added layer of complexity when the economy lost its luster.

"I don't think Michael Pollock realized that (Neven's) situation was that bad, or he would have tried to help," said Romano. In fact, Pollock reportedly already had tried to make it possible for John Henry's to stay in business by making various lease concessions. But Bajlo, seemingly not wanting charity, apparently never updated Pollock on the worsening conditions.

Bajlo's departure, therefore, happened so suddenly that little could be done to keep the landmark restaurant open.

Even had Pollock had time and the

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Technology finding its way into virtually every corner of Kyrene classrooms

By Mark Crudup

Sixth-grade students at Kyrene del Pueblo Middle School are putting aside paper and pencils to enter the digital landscape of today's education.

During parent conferences, the traditional teacher-led talks accompanied by binders of past assignments, tests and projects are gone. For this group of about 100 sixth graders, students now lead the conferences, assessing their own work on a computer and toggling through past assignments on a template they developed to track their own progress.

"One of the main advantages of doing the portfolios in a digital format is that you can bring in all of those types of work they've done, and observe the whole thing at the end of the year and really see their progress," Stephanie Leake, technology services specialist for the Kyrene School District, said.

And, the sixth graders didn't hesitate to start working with new software. Many students are already linking test scores and scanned projects to their pages, surprising teachers with their ability to adapt to the software's tools.

"The students jump right in," Leake said. "They don't feel the anxiety associated with it — they quickly start pushing buttons and navigate

through it themselves."

Students will learn to embed videos of multi-media projects, including a newscast that will soon be produced by the students.

Conor Thorne, a student on the sixth-grade Power Team at Pueblo, said he it was easy for him to develop his portfolio using the software.

"It's really cool because you get to create your own design," he said. "I've shown my friends, and I can look at all my projects."

Arushi Dubey, another student on Team Power, quickly linked projects and test scores to her page in the matter of minutes.

"It's really easy to use," she said. "I showed my mom the disease project I posted under my science class, and she thought it was awesome."

Science teacher Becky Reeser said students are beginning to create digital poster-board projects using computers, instead of actual paper posters, along with timelines using the software's tools.

Reeser is on Team Power at Pueblo, along with teachers Brian Pollard, Yolanda Williams and Jeff Fulkerson.

Together, they implemented the new technology for the first time this year, empowering the students to reflect on their

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Pueblo science teacher Becky Reeser helps guide sixth-grader Arushi Dubey in the search for test scores.

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Sports Notebook . . . with Alex Zener

Aztecs' Coach Ventura named to Arizona HS Hall of Fame

Long-time Corona head football coach Gary Ventura has been selected for induction to the Arizona High School Athletic Coaches Hall of Fame. The ceremony will be May 1 at the Phoenix Elks Lodge 335.

Ventura ran Corona's football program for 23 years before he announced his retirement at the end of the 2009 football season. He stated, at the time, that he didn't feel he was as effective, after retiring from teaching three years earlier, because he wasn't able to build as close of a relationship with the players by not being on campus full time.

Ventura, a former Arizona State offensive lineman under coach Frank Kush, earned All-American honors before coaching stints in Ray, Yuma and Nogales before settling in at Corona. All together he coached in Arizona for over 31 years.

Ventura received the Coach of the Year Award in 1989 and led the All-Star game South team to wins in 90 and 99. He is a recipient of the Gene Autry Award for courage in the face of

adversity. Over 50 players have gone on to play college football from Corona under Coach Ventura's tenure and over 70 have gone on to play Junior College football.

CdS Boys Volleyball — Corona del Sol boys volleyball team may be peaking at just the right time, after winning one tournament, the Antelope Classic, and then taking second at the one of the state's most prestigious tournament, the Brophy Invitational, April 2.

The Aztecs finished pool play Friday in second place and faced off against Desert Vista Saturday morning. After defeating both Desert Vista and Salpointe Catholic in two games, the Aztecs lost to Gilbert. The Brophy Invitational is a double elimination tournament meaning the Aztecs still had a chance to play in the finals if they could defeat Brophy.

After a hard-fought three game match against Brophy, the Aztecs earned the right to play in the finals

against Gilbert for the second time in the tournament. Unfortunately, Gilbert played smart, consistent volleyball and defeated Corona in two games to take home the championship trophy.

Although the Aztecs had played fairly consistently throughout the tournament where they improved their serving, offense and defense as the matches went on, Gilbert was too much that day.

"Gilbert played very disciplined volleyball in the finals. We couldn't get a ball to drop," said coach Brynne Evans. "Plays that had worked for us against other teams earlier in the tournament weren't having the same impact against the Gilbert defense."

"On the positive side, outside hitter **Alex Davis** made the All-Tournament Team and **Blake Pendleton** played very consistent," said Evans. "He is becoming a smart outside hitter. We also had **Charlie Hualde** funneling our offense with great serve receive passing.

In the week following the Brophy

Invitational, Corona had three tough regular season matches. On April 5, the Aztecs defeated Basha at home. Davis had 8 kills; Hualde 14 digs; and **Sean Hughes** 10 digs.

Defeating Brophy at home on April 6 was a big win for the Aztecs.

"We finished each game of the match against Brophy with big plays," said Evans. "Alex Davis had a solo block to finish off a long rally in the first game. Then **Scott Burdick** had a kill off a quick set in the middle to finish game two. A block by **Sean Zwenger** finished the match."

Corona completed the week with a tough five-game win at Dobson to end with a 5-4 regular season record as of April 11. The Aztecs were ranked No. 4 by the *Arizona Republic* after coming in second at the Brophy Invitational but are only No. 18 in AIA power point rankings.

The Aztecs have nine very challenging regular season matches left to improve their power point rankings in

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order to even qualify to play in the state 5A tournament.

Track and Field — Corona's track and field team is racing towards the finish line in order to qualify as many athletes as possible according to the new AIA state tournament guidelines by recently finishing third, for the boys team, and fourth, for the girls, in ASU's 32nd Sun Angel Track Classic held April 7-9 on the Joe Selleh Track at Sun Angel Stadium.

Currently, Corona has all relay teams, for both boys and girls, automatically qualified and over 24 athletes either automatically or provisionally qualified for the state tournament according to head coach **Tim Kelley**.

Corona's relay teams had a good showing at the Sun Angel Classic. The highlights included a fourth place finish for the boys 4x400 meter relay team of **Dominique Branscumb, Michael Seall, Matt Hayhurst and Cody Jackson** and a seventh place for the 4X100 relay team of **Dominic Mercurio, George Wright, Alex Smith and Tevin Mayfield**.

Corona girls had a sixth place finish in the 4X400 Meter Relay for **Taylor Johnson, Hallie, Swensen, Grace Ashu and Lakevia Stormer**

and a seventh place finish for the 4X100 team of **Megan Benson, Ashu, Johnson and Lauren Milovich**.

Corona's strength, in addition to the relay teams, is in middle distance and distance running on both teams.

"Our 400, 800, 1600 and 3200 meter kids are knocking off major seconds of their time and some athletes are consistently getting personal bests each time they compete," said Kelley. "I believe it is a reflection of their workout programs, training and attitude." Proving this point for the boys team was a third for **Cody Jackson** and a fourth for **Seall** in the 800 Meter Run, a second for **Daniel Wrapp** and a 12th for **Jared Hirschl** in the 1600 Meter Run, and a sixth for Hirschl and 10th for **Jacob Whitney** in the 3200 Meter Run at the Sun Angel Classic.

Corona's girls team also had some strong finishes in the distance races including a second place for **Stormer** in the 400 Meter Dash, a fourth place for **Swensen** in the 800 Meter Run. Dani Lemieux was 11th and **Ellen Dunn** 15th in the 1600 Meter Run.

"These distance runners are leading the way, and along with **Leanne Wittilles, Kelley Nero, Sarah Williams, Carly Robertson, Victoria Haun, Dani Lemieux and Kate Halligan** work extremely hard every

day and want to make themselves and each other better," said Kelley. "We have other kids who are also improving and have great attitudes every day."

Some of those kids include Mayfield who took fourth in the 300 Meter Hurdles and 12th in the 110 Meter Hurdles, **Nick Siefker** who was fifth in the 110 Meter Hurdles, and **Quinn**

Robertson who was 12th in the 300 Meter Hurdles at the Sun Angel Classic.

Others improving every race include **Megan Benson**, fourth in the 100 Meter Hurdles, **Jackie Vogt**, ninth in the same race, Taylor Johnson, 11th in the 200 Meter Dash and Alyssa Ramsland, 21st in the 3200 Meter Run.

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Predictions of \$5 gas prompt advisory

From an expert: Tips for using fuel more economically

By Mark Crudup

Prices on gas-station signs aren't looking very attractive these days. And, by summer, they're likely to reach \$5 per gallon, a spokesman for Napa Auto Care said.

There are, however, gas-saving strategies worth noting that can help drivers make the most out their trips to local gas pumps, according to Mathew Ireland, customer relations representative for Napa AutoCare.

To keep your budget intact and cut back on gas-guzzling habits, try these tips:

"First things first, we live in the Valley of the Sun," Ireland said. "It's very important that you buy

gas early in the morning or late at night, especially during the summer."

Gasoline, he said, will expand with heat, limiting the amount you actually get during hot hours of the day. Some stations collect evaporated gas, but some still do not implement any method for this, he said.

The most preventive measure a resident can take to minimize gas costs, though, is to simply keep vehicles properly maintained, he said.

"You want to make sure the check-engine light is not on, and it's tuned up at its proper intervals," he said.

Keeping up on regular maintenance, like taking your car to get an oil change at least every three

months, will not only increase the life of the car, but minimize its gas intake, Ireland said. When changing motor oil, he said to always make sure the service technician is using the proper type and weight.

"If the motor is not running right, then we're shooting ourselves in the foot right away," he said.

Regarding on-the-road strategies, it is best to avoid sudden stops and starts, and instead maintain constant speeds as much as possible, Ireland said.

"Obviously, if you can keep your vehicle at 40 mph in the city, that will give you the most in terms of miles per gallon," Ireland said. "On freeways, try to keep it at 60 mph."

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Free neighborhood program credited with steering teen away from gangs, drugs

By Jeremy Banks

Sometimes, Chandler resident Jonathan Davis thinks about where he would be if he were never introduced to ICAN.

"I probably would have never graduated high school. I probably would have been in a gang and doing drugs," he said.

Improving Chandler Area Neighborhoods is an organization geared toward providing free, comprehensive out-of-school programs that help empower the youth in the Chandler area.

Davis, 20, has been with the program for 14 years. He said ICAN has had a huge impact on his life. He comes from a family of seven, one that shared a three-bedroom apartment. His father passed away when he was younger, leaving his mother to raise him and his siblings on her own. Gangs and drugs had a strong presence in his neighborhood. It would have been easy to succumb to the temptation. It would have been easy to follow the crowd. It would have been easy to give up.

But he didn't.

Davis said a walk past the ICAN building changed the direction of his life.

"Me and my brother used to walk past ICAN. One day we walked in just to see what it was all about," he said.

"ICAN was free. We had a place to go. It was a place where we could hang out. It was a place with structure.

"I come from a big family. There's a lot of gangs in our area. ICAN kept me out of gangs and the drugs."

The longer he stayed with ICAN, the more he continued to grow as a person. He said he has learned new things, developed a new perspective on life, met new people and developed confidence, an ability to believe he could achieve.

"ICAN helped me out a lot," he said. "I'm more of a role model and I also help out in the community. It feels good to make an impact on the neighborhoods. I make an impact on the younger kids."

Today, Davis is a peer leader with ICAN. He has also become the first member of his family to attend college. He is currently in his first year, studying music production. Music has been a life-long interest and he says he is excited about this future.

"It feels good. I never thought of going to college," he said.

ICAN has been a bright spot in Davis' life. He hopes he can help area youth the same way ICAN has helped him. "I'd like to see more kids and more teens share their stories like I share mine," he said.



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Budget

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"The levy – what we collect from you – is the taxes," he said. "It's not the tax rate."

Lately, the city's levy has plummeted, Jones said. In order to restore approximately \$22.1 million yearly for city improvements, the tax rate would need to float, he said.

"That's the plan we presented to council," Meyer said. "For right now, we feel that's all we can afford."

Patty Meyer (no relation to the city manager), a south Tempe resident who attended the forum, said she has more confidence in the Capital Improvements Plan after listening to Meyer address the funds, but still doesn't think it should be implemented in near the future.

"We need to save money," she said. "It's really going to hit elderly people and residents with fixed incomes."

A 71-year-old woman at the meeting said she is willing to pay for capital improvements in order to



Residents gathered for budget discussion at south Tempe police substation. — Wrangler News photo by Mark Crudup

maintain the quality of the community. She also asked about getting a volunteer force to help clean up local parks and sidewalks.

Other discussion involved reductions in general funds, including future salaries of city employees. Jones replied that it would be "unsustainable to keep increasing pay."

Community members also questioned the modern streetcar system planned for construction in the

Mill Avenue district of downtown Tempe, five or six of residents saying they feel it would be too costly to implement such a system at this time.

Many residents, however, thanked both Charlie Meyer and Jones on their understanding of the topics and willingness to keep residents informed on the budget projects.

John Mulford, another south Tempe resident at the forum, commended the transparency he said Meyer and Jones showed in presenting each topic clearly and addressing community members' concerns.

Another public forum will be held 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at City Council chambers in downtown Tempe.

List of Tempe projects not included in capital improvement budget proposal

Projects that could potentially affect south Tempe that will not be included in this year's proposed capital improvements budget are:

Diablo stadium improvement; KRC pool renovation; Edna Vihel Center for the Arts renovation; Kiwanis Park lake edge renovation; minor alley improvements and dust control; installing synthetic turf on Benedict Field; Pyle and Westside Centers renovation and security improvements; Tempe Sports Complex phase three; skate park development; and Kiwanis Recreation Center energy efficiency improvements.



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Volunteers

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work in more than 86 percent of the medical centers' departments. Last year, she said, volunteers gave more than 106,000 hours, working with patients, family members and staff.

"Volunteers serve in over 89 areas, such as the Information Desk, gift shop, on nursing units and in administration functions," Bearat said.

"Each year our volunteers continue to amaze us with their acts of kindness toward patients and their families," said Chandler Regional president and CEO Patty White.

"They not only selflessly donate their time to patients and families, but to our specialty programs which help drive their success."

For Ghobadian, while he is happy to know that the hospital staff appreciates the work that he and the other volunteers do, he said he is grateful to have the opportunity to help others and to get the chance to test out his comfort level in a hospital.

"The medical schools want us to do this, and I like to help people," he said.

"I've always done a lot of volunteer work, and since I'm in the process of changing my career—I used to be an engineer—I wanted to continue volunteering and do something that will help me in my new profession."

And, of course, help the patients and hospitals that gain so much from volunteers like him.

Close to century mark, Chandler Regional volunteer retiring after 25 years of service

By Mark Crudup

Imagine going through a medical procedure without having a friend or family member by your side. Thanks to volunteers at Chandler Regional Medical Center, patients don't have to worry about not having a hand to hold when they're anxious or a blanket to warm them when they're cold.

With more than 650 volunteers at both Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert medical centers, patients receive care on a more personal level.

This month, from April 10-16, the centers celebrated their volunteer workforce during Volunteer Appreciation Week.

"We always say the volunteers provide the gift of time," said Barb Farmer, manager of volunteers. "They really make the patients more comfortable; when the volunteers hold the patients' hands, it makes the experience easier for them."

Among volunteers being honored is Moe Kopp, who is ending 25 years of service and moving to New York to be closer to his family. He turned 96 this year.

"I got to know some of the doctors pretty well," he said. "I enjoyed what I was doing because that's what I wanted to do."

After retiring from his veterinary practice in New York, Kopp gravitated to volunteer work to, as he explained it, help his community. Twenty years later,

he moved to Arizona and began volunteering at Chandler Regional.

"I worked with nurses who went room to room providing physical therapy," he said. "I did that because when I was riding a bike in my 50s I fell over, and went into physical therapy at the time, so I had personal experience with it."

After helping patients in physical therapy, Kopp started volunteering in the Emergency Department, doing similar work for patients there, he said. "I supplied food and crackers, then I made beds, made people coffee, or got them a warm towel or blanket."

Some of the patients served by volunteers come back to join the effort themselves, explaining that they're showing appreciation for the experience they had while hospitalized, Farmer said.

"The average length of time that we have volunteers for is two years, so it's pretty incredible that we've had Moe for so long," she said. "We'll often get patients, or their family members, come back to volunteer themselves."

Kopp said he is moving back to New York to be closer to his son, who lives in Maryland. The 2,600 hours he has put in at Chandler Regional, though, will remain an integral part of who he is, Kopp said.

"It just gave me the satisfaction that I can help the (patients) out when they need it," Kopp said.

Retirement May Be Far Off, But the April 18 Deadline for IRA Contributions Isn't

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Diversions . . . with Mark Moorhead

Holy bird smugglers! Where's Batman when we need him?

The computer-animated kids' movie *Rio* begins in the title city, where we see a baby parrot captured for the exotic bird trade.

Somehow he ends up stranded in Minnesota, where he grows up (into the voice of Jesse Eisenberg) as the pet of Linda (Leslie Mann), a nice young woman who runs a bookstore.

She's named him Blu, which he is, all over, and when a nice Brazilian ornithologist, Tulio (Rodrigo Santoro), shows up at the bookstore he proclaims Blu the last male of his species, the "blue macaw" (a check of Wikipedia reveals that there really are a couple of species of macaw with blue plumage that are critically endangered).

He persuades Linda to bring Blu back to Rio to



meet Jewel (Anne Hathaway), the last female blue macaw, in hopes that they'll hit it off and propagate.

Linda and Blu make the trip, but Blu and Jewel once again fall into the clutches of bird smugglers. They manage to escape, chained together like Tony Curtis and Sidney Poitier in *The Defiant Ones*, and

Blu's humiliating secret comes out: He's never learned to fly.

All this adventure takes place against the backdrop of, you guessed it, Carnival, and it involves all manner of supporting characters, from a villainous cockatoo (Jemaine Clement) to a sympathetic toucan (George Lopez) to a salivating bulldog (Tracy Morgan) to songbirds voiced by will.i.am and Jamie Foxx.

The plot is more complex than that of many CGI kidflicks, but at bottom, it's still a blend of the genre's usual motifs: A hero who must learn to believe in himself, a love story, separation from family, and so forth.

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Moorhead

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It's an enjoyable blend, though. The brilliant, saturated colors both of the tropical setting and of the feathered characters are a treat for the eyes; there's some flavorful music (Foxx sings especially well); and the voice cast is strong.

Eisenberg's nebbishy tones amusingly contrast his dazzling appearance, and they get across the key to his character: Having grown up in a bookstore, he's book-smart but lacking in real-world experience.

I enjoyed *Rio*, even found it rather touching, but the opinions which carry more weight are those of the three excellent third-graders with whom I saw the film. They all sat still through the length of the film, and laughed out loud at it.

Three finer reviews than that would be hard to come by.

Rio was preceded, by the way, by *Scrat's Continental Crack-Up*, a short in which the hilarious saber-toothed squirrel from the *Ice Age* films, in his ongoing purgatorial quest for his beloved acorn, inadvertently breaks up the earth's tectonic plates.

It is indeed a crack-up.

Rio is Rated G and plays at Harkins Arizona Mills, Chandler Crossroads, Tempe Marketplace and other theaters Valleywide.

Young artists shine in display

Story and photo by Mark Crudup

Corona del Sol students are brightening up the Tempe Union High School District Office this month with artistic displays of students' work from Carmelisa Castelli Wood's photography classes.

Among those featured is Corona junior Christine Beatty, a student in Wood's photography 3-4 class, who has two of her pieces on display through April.

Beatty's artwork includes a piece that combined two photos outlining a girl with an earthy vine. "She's my best friend, Rachel, and her element is earth," Beatty said. "I thought it seemed fitting to overlay a tree and foliage with her."

She said the overlaying photos were the outcome of a project experimenting with texture.

"I had the original photo of her, and then I had a photo I had taken of some leaves and combined them," Beatty said.

Beatty's other piece was a photo taken of the Oregon Coast, where her family often travels on vacations.

Beatty hopes to continue her studies in photography, and is looking into applying at Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University.

"This is a fine arts class, and it's a vocational class; so it's approached from both directions," Wood said. "So (the students) can actually be employable in

the field as soon as the graduate from high school."

Nick Gayes, webmaster/graphic and communications specialist for TUHSD, said the district office has been continually displaying Kyrene students' artwork throughout this school year, rotating through different pieces monthly.

"It's nice because...it brightens things up with different artwork displays each month," Gayes said. "The students' artwork is incredible – they are so talented."

Wood said her students work with both film and digital technology to create and manipulate photos with various artistic expressions.

To view the display, visit the Tempe Union High School District Office at Benedict Education Center on the northeast corner of Guadalupe Road and McKemy Street weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Christine Beatty, left, fine arts instructor Carmelisa Wood

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"These are not topics that many people want to talk about," Silverman said. "But several years ago, I realized that many have no system in place to help keep their plans up to date, especially in regard to living trusts. So I started doing workshops that address things that my clients and others need to know from a practical standpoint."

Silverman said everyone is welcome to attend the workshop, including adult children who may wish to learn more about how they can help their parents.

"Older children often have no idea

of their role in these matters, and sometimes their parents are reluctant to deal with these issues. But if you don't, your children will have to deal with a terrible legacy and mess afterwards. It can be a real landmine for families to deal with."

Silverman said he tries to keep the workshops as light-spirited as he can, injecting some humor whenever possible.

"I'm not a mortician, and I don't want to be a mortician," he said.

"There is just so much information out there, and a lot of it is snake oil. People are getting documents without a good understanding of what's going on. I just want to try to educate people as much as I can."

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John Henry's

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inclination to help, the cost of making needed structural upgrades to John Henry's might have been insurmountable. In the years since the restaurant's opening, the once state-of-the-art exhaust system in the kitchen had fallen out of code, galvanized pipes had begun to leak, and other major repairs were said to be necessary, all at a cost potentially as high as \$100,000 or more.

So despite the world-class appeal of a one-of-a-kind gathering spot, the unique quality of a distinctive menu, the allegiance of a longtime following, the seeming impenetrability of a nearly 20-year icon of the Valley's restaurant

scene—and the apparent willingness of a landlord's altruistic nature—Neven Bajlo called it quits.

From Romano's standpoint, the vacuum left by John Henry's exit isn't simply a matter of an iconic restaurant no longer being here. It's a disappointing interruption to Neven Bajlo's deep-seated generosity, which has ranged from lending money to those in need to donating many times over to local schools when he knew it would help.

When we say "interruption," we're convinced it's the right word. Besides Romano, Bajlo retains a large and loyal cadre of friends, Romano among them, who surely won't allow him to remain indefinitely off their radar or out of their minds.

— Don Kirkland

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Kyrene Corridor *Briefs*

Sierra Leone refugees to appear

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From such humble beginnings, the band went on to release one of the most acclaimed world music releases in the past few years, "Living Like a Refugee."

The title track of the album was recorded using the light of an oil lamp in Sembakounya Refugee Camp in Guinea, West Africa.

The band sang and laughed into the night, healing and being healed by their music. Program and ticket information: www.ChandlerCenter.org

Carwash fundraiser April 23

Tempe Sister Cities will hold a carwash fundraiser event from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday, April 23, at the Speedy Quick Stop gas station

located on the northwest corner of Elliot Road and McClintock Drive.

H.S. textbooks up for review

New textbooks that have been recommended for a variety of subjects taught at Corona del Sol, Marcos de Niza and other schools in the Tempe Union High School District are available for public review in the district office board room through April 20.

April 20 is the date when the governing board is scheduled to vote on the recommendations. Following the board's approval, adopted textbooks may be ordered for the 2011-12 school year.

Summer Academy at Childsplay

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

ferings for ages 4 to 8 than ever before.

Classes are held at Sybil B. Harrington Campus for Imagination and Wonder, 900 S. Mitchell Drive, Tempe, and Tempe Performing Arts Center, 132 E. Sixth St.. Classes are taught by professional teaching artists.

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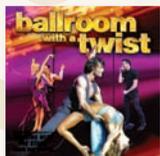


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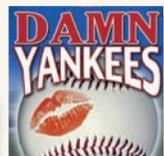
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Technology

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work, Pollard, a math teacher at Pueblo, said.

"All of us came from different teams last year, but we all did portfolios in a unique way," he said. "I remember saying, there's got to be a way we can do what we are doing on paper in a digital form."

Soon after, they contacted Leake who was eager to get the teachers started on the new software that was recently purchased district-wide.

"What this software does is allows you to create a template for the students, and they can attach any type of document, such as Word document, PowerPoint or audio file they created," Leake said.

"So, they're taking ownership of it, but also they're seeing work from a variety of classes throughout the year."

Already the Pueblo kids are becoming more engaged in reflecting on their work and setting goals for themselves, Pollard said.

"They grow up on this and become life-long learners," he said. "They're probably more engaged to it than we are."

Students can show their parents and family members a digital portfolio of their work via a BlackBoard application available on the school's Web site.

"One of my kids had parents with double conferences and couldn't come in that evening, so the student brought it home on BlackBoard," Reeser said.

"That way, they can go through it with grandma and grandpa."

Gas

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Most automobile companies test their vehicles' mpg ratio at 60 mph, he said, indicating this is the most effective speed to drive at on highways.

"For every mile per hour you go over 60, you'll actually end up paying about 24 cents more," he said.

This is when cruise control comes in handy – not only to help save on gas, but also to avoid any tickets by local law enforcement for not paying attention to the speedometer.

"Obviously, if you're doing a lot of highway driving, cruise control is your best friend," he said.

In addition, many residents are unaware of how much tire pressure affects gas mileage, Ireland said.

Before your next trip through the city, be sure to check your tires' pressure. If

tires are under- or over-inflated, your vehicle's gas intake will dramatically increase.

The common misconception on fuel efficiency: don't drive with the air conditioning on full-blast, opting instead to roll down the windows.

"This is really not true," he said. "It will not significantly affect your gas mileage, and it's best just to use the air conditioning."

If residents really want to save money on gas, while keeping the environment in mind, it might be a good idea to buy a more recent vehicle model, Ireland said.

"Getting rid of the 2005 SUV, or cars with V-8 engines, is really a good idea," he said. "Go buy a hybrid, or carpool – save the planet one car at a time."

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Honey Bunnies . . . they're back!



Great Harvest owner Leslie Walston hopes to find good homes for the annual arrival of Honey Bunnies.

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Staff at Tempe's Great Harvest Bread Company are baking loaves of bread with care for the benefit of cancer patients around the world during their annual Honey Bunnies fundraiser.

Owner Leslie Walston said the loaves, baked in the shape of a bunny, are sold for \$14.99, with 20 percent of proceeds going to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

"We actually lost one of our Great Harvest bakery owners to lymphoma about a year and half ago," Walston said. "Last year, nationwide, we raised \$50,000, and this year the goal is \$75,000."

This will be the sixth year of the event. The Honey Bunnies are available through Saturday, April 23.

"On Friday, April 22, we'll also do a one-day \$1 bowl, so somebody who can't afford or doesn't want to purchase a Honey Bunny can put a dollar into our fishbowl, and that will go straight to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society."



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Tempe police partnering with DEA again to collect expired, unused meds

Tempe police are partnering with the Arizona Drug Enforcement Agency to collect unused and expired prescription medications Saturday, April 30, at the Tempe Police South Substation on the southeast corner of Hardy Drive and Carver Road.

"The protection of our youth is of paramount importance to all members of law enforcement," said Tom Ryff, chief of the Tempe Police Department.

Residents can dispose of medications anonymously. All received meds are sealed by local law enforcement personnel and delivered for proper destruction by incineration.

Said Ryff:

"Prescription drug abuse and drug-related deaths are on the rise, particularly among young people across the country: Nearly one in five teens have tried prescription medication to get high, according to the DEA and Partnership for a Drug Free America."

"A simple and effective way to help prevent those tragedies from happening is to secure your medicine cabinets, and seize this opportunity to turn in expired or unused medications."

Last September, Tempe partnered with the DEA in a similar drug take-back event, which resulted in more than 6,200 pounds of prescription medications turned in by residents at nearly 75 sites across the state.



Representatives of DataSphere Technologies spoke with job seekers during a Career Connect program at Chandler Center for the Arts. The event, which was a new-jobs initiative by Chandler Mayor Jay Tibshraeny, attracted more than 50 companies and organizations. DataSphere was hiring for 185 positions at its new offices in Tempe. DataSphere representatives included, seated, from left, Raymond Granaada, director of human resources; Chiaki Asakura, senior corporate recruiter; and Erica Avila, an account representative for the company.

— Photo courtesy city of Chandler

Tempe PD taking apps until April 25

Men and women interested in pursuing law-enforcement careers have until 5 p.m. Monday, April 25, to submit applications for positions on the Tempe Police Department.

Applicants approved to begin the formal review process will receive email or phone notification confirming the date, time and location of the written and physical exams, which are scheduled Saturday, May 7.

Department spokeswoman Molly Enright said phases of the hiring process include a written application, physical agility evaluation, an oral board interview, polygraph examination, background check, psychological evaluation and medical exam.

Tempe PD Chief Tom Ryff said the department offers excellent opportunities for those who want to consider law enforcement careers.

"Our department emphasizes leadership and innovation, and we have worked hard to create an environment conducive to achieving excellence.

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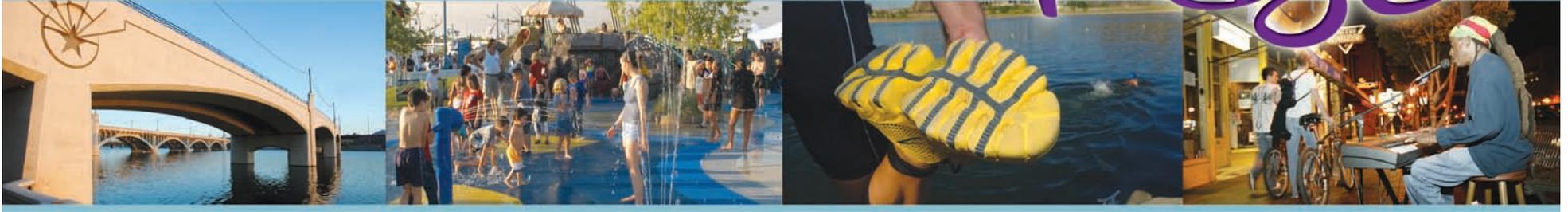
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Community Easter Egg Hunt coming to Kiwanis Park April 23

The Kiwanis Club of Tempe's Community Easter Egg Hunt will be at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 23, at Kiwanis Park's north soccer field.

More than 6,000 plastic eggs with prizes inside will be scattered on the field for children 10 and under. The Easter Bunny will be roaming and available for pictures. Bring your own baskets to collect eggs. Kiwanis Park is located near Mill Avenue and Baseline Road.

For more information, visit www.kcot.org.

Summer registration begins April 25

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Tempe residents can begin registering for summer classes on April 25. Non-Tempe residents can register beginning May 2. The summer 2011 Tempe Opportunities brochure will be available at www.tempe.gov/brochure starting April 22.

You can also pick up a copy of the brochure at City of Tempe facilities and Tempe Fry's Food Stores. Visit www.frysfood.com to find a location near you. Call the Recreation Administration Office at 480-350-5200 for more information.

Registration can be completed online, by fax or in person at many Tempe community centers.

Classes begin the week of June 6.

Tempe gears up to renew free youth transit pass

Beginning May 9, Tempe will begin issuing new transit passes to current and new participants of the Tempe Youth Free Transit Pass program.

The new passes are valid July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. The program allows youth ages six to 18 who live in Tempe to ride all Valley Metro bus routes and METRO light rail free.

A parent or guardian must accompany the youth and bring the youth's birth certificate along with proof of Tempe residency when registering for the program.

Special on-site registration will be held at the Tempe Public Library, 3500 S. Rural Road, on May 21

from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free passes are also available at the Tempe Transit Store, 200 E. Fifth St., from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Tempe and Valley Metro offer bus service seven days a week.

Most Tempe buses run Monday through Saturday until 1 a.m. and Sunday until 10 p.m., with rush hour service every 15 minutes Monday through Friday from 6-9 a.m. and 3-6 p.m. METRO runs seven days a week every 12 minutes from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. (and every 20 minutes during all other times) from 5 a.m. to midnight (2 a.m. on weekends).

Budget planning continues for 2011-12 and beyond

Tempe continues to plan for balanced operating budgets that cover everything from library services to transportation, as well as for the capital improvement budget that pays for projects like building and road maintenance.

In addition to planning for the 2011-12 fiscal year, which begins July 1, 2011, Tempe is working to ensure financial stability in the four years after that.

The city is holding a public forum to inform community members about the latest budget considerations:

Tuesday, April 19 — 6-7:30 p.m.; City Council Chambers, 31 E. Fifth St.; free parking in City Hall garage on Fifth Street.

Community members also are invited to submit ideas and questions via a comment form available at www.tempe.gov/budgetplan. The website includes information about planning efforts for the operating and capital budgets.

Movies in the Park series starts May 6 at Kiwanis Park

Families can make the most of the beautiful spring weather at the city's 32nd annual Movies in the Park free movie series at Kiwanis Park, at Mill Avenue and All-America Way.

Bring blankets and a picnic dinner on Friday evenings in May to enjoy family movies on one of the largest inflatable screens in Arizona. Each movie begins at dusk

(approximately 7 p.m.) on the west side of Kiwanis Lake.

May 6 — *Toy Story 3*, G;
May 13 — *Aladdin*, G; **May 20** — *Despicable Me*, PG; **May 27** — *Shrek Forever After*, PG

For more information, call 480-350-5200.

For a map of Kiwanis Park, visit www.tempe.gov/parks/parks/maps/kiwanispark.pdf.



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Corona's is lacking experience in a lot of the field events this season which is something Kelley says will be improved over the summer when the bulk of the Aztec's younger athletes get a chance to work in the weight room.

"The greatest strides our field event athletes make will be in the off season," said Kelley. "That's when our freshman and sophomores will improve

the most in the athletic, explosive field events by working out in the weight room."

Highlights in the field events at the Sun Angel Classic included a third place finish for **Dana McKenzie** in the High Jump with a personal best, 5 foot 6 inch jump, and **Carli Giese** who took 11th place in the Pole Vault.

The boys team had two field event finishers: **George Bafaloukus** was 10th in the High Jump and Mercurio was eighth in the Long Jump at the Sun Angel Classic.

Up next will be the City Meet, April 16, and the Freshman Showcase, April 21, both at Desert Vista before the last chance Corona athletes will have to qualify for the state.

Corona Basketball Camps

Coach Sam Duane, Jr. is holding his summer basketball camps again this summer. The first two sessions, June 6-9 and June 20-23 are to be held in Corona's gym.

Two sessions are available for the camps in June: 8:30-10:30 for grades 1-5 and 10:30-12:30 for grades 6-10. A Shooting camp will be July 5-8 and an Offensive camp July 11-14. Both will be held at Kiwanis Park. Link to sign up for any of these camps is www.tempe.gov/kiwanis/Classes/SummerCamps

Tempe South launches 2011 season with celebration

Coaches, parents and players from South Tempe Little League marked the start of their 2011 baseball season March 26 with more than 450 participants from 400 families turning out for an opening celebration.

This year, in order to keep the players' costs from skyrocketing, sev-

eral fundraisers are planned to help cover an additional expense: the high cost of lighting the ball fields.

"In years past, the city of Tempe covered the expense of lighting our fields," said Dan Crawford, STLL's sponsoring chairman.

"With the current state of the city budget, they can no longer cover the estimated \$13,000- \$18,000 expense."

"We keep our entry fees lower than most organizations in order to maximize participation for the boys and girls of south Tempe," said Crawford. "Therefore, we have decided that, in order to keep up the facilities and give our kids a great baseball experience, to have several fundraising events in place to help cover our costs."

One major upcoming fundraiser is a charity golf tournament from 7 a.m. to noon Sunday, April 17, at San Marcos Golf Club. The contest will be an 18-hole shotgun start, followed by an awards ceremony, silent auction and raffle to be held at Nate's Third Base immediately after.

Spots are still open to play. The fee is \$300 per foursome or \$80 for individuals. Contact Dan Crawford at 602-684-5574 or loanwlf@att.net for information or to participate.

The Tempe Diablos organization has also chosen STLL as a charity for its

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fundraising, and has made a sizeable donation, according to Crawford. However STLL continues to recruit restaurants or businesses to support their fundraising efforts, and will make try hard to ensure that contributing individuals and businesses are recognized.

For instance, said Crawford, those making donations will have their names added to sponsorship banners hung for the entire season in the outfields and will be listed on the STLL website at <http://tempesouth.com/>.

Additional planned fundraisers include a D-Backs Family Day, weekly raffles and restaurant dinner nights.

The D-Backs Family Day, planned May 1, represents a chance for STLL players to parade around the D-Backs' field in their uniforms, watch the professional players warm up and get great seats for the D-Backs' game against the Cubs.

Saturday night 50/50 raffles at the baseball fields will include prizes ranging from a suite donated by the D-Backs to tickets to Dancing with the Stars as well as the Jimmy Kimmel show according to Crawford. Several smaller prizes will be raffled off weekly.

Every week during the season, local restaurants will have a dinner night out where a portion of the gross sales, between 25-50 percent, will be given to STLL. Participating restaurants are shown every Saturday on the message board at the fields and on the league's website at <http://tempe-south.com/>.

STLL officials say money generated from any of the fundraising activities will be used to support the 34 teams that play in the league, including seven Majors (11-12-year-old players), eight Minors (9-11-year-olds), 14 Farm (6-9-year-olds), and five T-Ball (4-5-year-olds) teams.

The season runs through the middle of May, with playoffs for the Majors and Minors through the end of May.

Tempe Diablos recognize teachers with cash awards

Tempe Diablos have recognized outstanding Tempe teachers again this year with cash awards totaling more than \$30,000.

Diablos President Scott Agnew said this marks the 22nd year of the awards program, saluting "what's right in our educational system and encouraging teachers and staff to strive for innovative excellence."

Award categories and their winners were:

Above & Beyond: Sanju Barua, Arredondo School; Natasha Alston, Mountain Pointe; Jane Anderson, Kyrene Akimel A-al Middle School.

The Lisa Lechtenberg Achievement Award: Edward Goldstein, Broadmor Elementary School; Brandon Buck, Mountain Pointe H.S.; Tonja Yalung, Kyrene de los Lagos Elementary.

Class Act: Katherine Schermick, Fuller

Elementary, Tempe; Michael Olson, Marcos Di Niza; Tricia Butler, Kyrene Aprende Middle School.

Innovation: Kara Welch, Anne Lorenzo, Arredondo Elementary; Science Department, Mountain Pointe; Maryann Ramseyer, Patty McNeely, Kyrene de la Paloma.

Inspiration: Katie Gelo, Frank Elementary; Sean McDonald, Compadre; Jon Hutman, Kyrene Centennial.

Outstanding New Teacher: Linda Brown, Scales; Jennifer Novaczyk, Mountain Pointe; Samantha Vancel, Aprende.

Lifetime Achievement: Laura Hauer, Tempe Elementary District Office; Steve Adolph, District Superintendent, Tempe Union; Geri Shaw, Principal, Aprende.

Teacher of the Year: Molly Houghton, Scales; Dan Ray, Mountain Pointe; Angela Herbst, Kyrene de los Niños.

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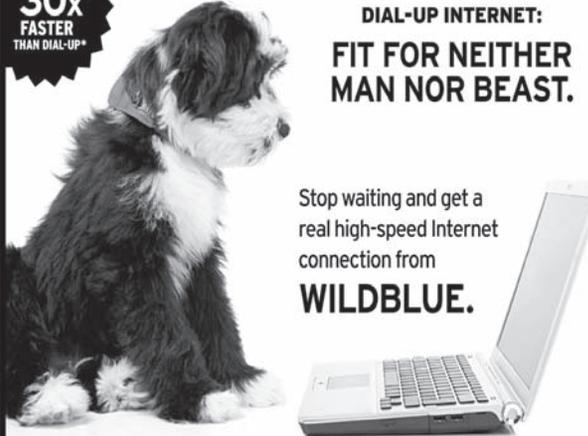
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