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## Level I trauma center now scheduled to open next Spring, say officials Agree to wait until winter-season demand diminishes

A short-term delay in Chandler Regional Medical Center's planned launch of the East Valley's first Level I trauma center has neither dampened the hospital's confidence in the need for such a facility nor its desire to keep pace with the opportunities inherent in a dynamically growing community.

Hospital officials say they will put off formal opening of the new Level I center until next Spring, based on their commitment to ensure that the coming influx of winter visitors can be assured of adequate, timely care.

Hospital resources tend to be more widely needed in the winter, causing potential delays in the availability of care during those months.

"We'd rather do this right than just do it quickly," said Tim Bricker, president and CEO of both Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert medical centers, part of the Dignity Health family of hospitals.

Bricker, who has guided development of Chandler Regional's trauma services in addition to its day-to-day operation for the past 2½ years, says the delay also was agreed upon when the recruitment of highly specialized staff, including a medical director, stretched out longer than anticipated.

Dr. Forrest Moore will move into the director's position in mid-August, and other staff already are on board and being trained, Bricker said.

Although some have questioned the need for a trauma center in the East Valley—the closest Level

I facility exists at Scottsdale Healthcare Osborne—Bricker insists that both he and others agree on its importance.

"It is very clear to us that there's a great big hole in the availability of trauma centers (in the Southeast Valley)." And that, he says, puts critically ill patients at greater risk during the so-called "golden hour," when every minute counts in the battle between life and death.

"What it means," says Bricker, "is that the faster you can get to appropriate care within an hour, the greater your chances of survival."

As for a critically ill patient in Queen Creek or another one of the East Valley's farflung communities, many of which are served by Chandler Regional, Bricker said:

"It's very unlikely you're going to make it (to another Level I facility) in that one hour."

In addition to delaying a patient's arrival at an appropriate treatment destination, the increased transport time also takes first responders longer to respond to another call for urgent care, said Bricker.

"In my mind, the predominant factor in this discussion is community need, and that people can get care fast," he said. "It's the right thing for the community; it saves lives."

While Bricker has been on the job in Chandler less than three years, he's no newcomer to hospital management or the inner workings of trauma facilities. He oversaw medical centers in Oregon and

Utah for more than a decade, including hospitals with trauma capabilities that already were fully functioning.

As planning for Chandler Regional's latest growth has taken place under his tutelage, Bricker says he's become much more aware of how it differs from other hospitals he's visited.

Here, he says, the strength of hospital-physician relationships appears to be much more evident than many places elsewhere.

Nor is that situation hard to explain, says Bricker. "There are challenging economic political situations (affecting hospitals) around the country, and they can create a lot of tension with the doctors," he said. "Chandler has a much more collaborative (medical) community, and that results in a higher quality of care for the patient, as well as a safer environment."

As to what lies ahead, Bricker sees the hospital's trauma capability being only one step toward a more technology-rich future, enhanced by the growing partnership with a multitude of scientifically focused Chandler businesses.

"One of our Advisory Board members is an Orbital executive. Having him on the board, we're able to discuss issues we both face in a high-tech, high-risk environment," Bricker said.

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— By Don Kirkland

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A lifetime of academic success, including summa cum laude distinctions upon graduation from the University of Arizona, preceded Dr. Lake's induction to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society at the University of Arizona School of Medicine.

Dr. Lake chose to complete residency in orthopedic surgery at the highly renowned Campbell Clinic because of its deep roots and tradition in the field of orthopedics. He was elected Chief Resident during his training at Campbell Clinic. He then completed a foot and ankle fellowship at the internationally respected Cleveland Clinic. Dr. Lake also provides foot and ankle care for the Arizona Rattlers.

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# New lake financing terms to alter payback strategy

By Diana Whittle

Town Lake remains a unique attraction, an oasis in the desert, an amenity that fulfills the critical mission of flood control while serving as a catalyst for myriad recreational opportunities.

The surrounding park hosts a range of special events, concerts, races, exhibits and the lakefront's crown jewel, Tempe Center for the Arts.

Yet for all its obvious value to the community, the project's development lags behind the city's expectations.

Some blame the economic downturn, a condition that prompted Tempe's Enhanced Services Commission to decide an economic reality check was in order.

As part of their work, the commission's members drafted recommendations for a revision to the financial structure of the Rio Salado Community Facilities District to help

make payback terms more favorable to business development along the banks of Tempe Town Lake.

In a unanimous vote on July 30, Tempe City Council agreed to the changes, which the members felt could boost momentum to new investment and add parity in loan repayment to the city for its initial outlay in the construction of Town Lake, as well as for the lake's annual maintenance and operations costs.

In introducing the agenda item to the council, Mayor Mark Mitchell stressed that the new financial plan is between the city and the Rio Salado District. It does not impact the city's budget; neither does it increase residents' taxes nor delay planned improvements to community parks.

Mitchell asked Ken Jones, Tempe's director of finance and technology, to clarify the terms of the plan.

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## Lake

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“The Enhanced Services Commission recommended a plan that would lower an annual holding fee that developers pay until they build on their lake property. In the revised plan, this fee will drop to the rate of inflation, which is currently 2.2 percent from the existing 5 percent.”

The annual interest rate, which developers pay to the city over a 25-year term for their share of lake construction, also will drop, according to Jones.

In an earlier effort to drive development, the City Council revised the financial plan both in 1995 and again in 1997.

The 2-mile Town Lake opened in 1999, with plans calling for development on the 120 acres surrounding it and to generate assessment fees covering 60 percent of annual operation costs.

Long term, the city hopes to secure sufficient private development near the attraction to ease the costs of

maintaining Town Lake.

Even though development is slower than anticipated, Tempe Town Lake is a proven economic engine for the city.

Private investment funds built nearly 24 acres of condos, high-rise office and commercial space around the lake.

And, just announced are plans for Marina Heights, a \$600 million project touted as the state’s largest office development, which will include State Farm Insurance as an anchor tenant.

In addition, according to statistics maintained by the city, the value of the lake extends merely beyond economic to being a place to enjoy and to promote as a community point of pride:

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## Library fine waiver yields massive relief for homeless

Generous Tempe library patrons donated nearly 24,000 bottles of water and many pounds of food to the city's homeless this summer through the Water for Fines program.

Last year, Tempe Community Council raised about 1,500 bottles of water for the homeless and less fortunate. This year, the organization's campaign gathered more than 30,000 bottles, including those from the library.

"The Tempe Public Library is a valuable resource for our city as a center for lifelong learning and as a community connection center," Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell said.

"This citizen-to-citizen generosity shows how our library can be truly the heart of our community. I would like to thank all the residents who contributed to this program, as well as those who donated to TCC directly."

From May 30 through July 27, the library waived up to \$30 in library fines each for people who brought in

bottled water or non-perishable food items. Those who did not have fines but donated anyway were entered into a drawing for prizes.

Tempe Community Council, whose mission is to connect those in need with those who care, distributed the water to Tempe's homeless service providers: City of Tempe H.O.P.E., Tempe Community Action Agency, Tempe Salvation Army, Tumbleweed Youth Development Center, Urban Outreach and the Tempe Fire Department.

"The outpouring of generous donations from the Tempe community will make a huge impact to Tempe's most vulnerable populations" said TCC Executive Director Kate Hanley.

The effort not only kept many homeless people hydrated, but gave parents with fines an easy payment option to help keep their children reading all summer long.

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## Fines

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It also encouraged people to bring back their past-due materials to be returned to the collection and used by others.

"The library is a place where all are truly equal in their need to enrich their lives and connect with information and each other," said Barbara Roberts, deputy community services director of Tempe's Library and Cultural Services Division.

"Our Water for Fines program is a visible example of the Library bringing people together through caring and generosity."

## State highway crews announce Saturday, Aug. 10, closure of Price Freeway link

The Arizona Department of Transportation, in partnership with the city of Chandler, will pour the concrete deck of the pedestrian bridge across the Loop 101 (Price Freeway), as well as paint the median pier on Saturday, Aug. 10.

The work requires a full closure of Loop 101, between Ray Road and Loop 202 (Santan Freeway) from 1 a.m. to 5 p.m. on that day. In addition, the southbound on-ramp at Warner Road will be closed.

Detour: Traffic will be routed along the Price frontage roads in the area. Drivers may connect between the Loop 101 and Loop 202 at the Price Road and Loop 202 interchange.

Delays can be expected during the closure, so drivers are encouraged to plan extra travel time. For more information about this project please visit the Loop 101 (Price Freeway) web page, email [Projects@azdot.gov](mailto:Projects@azdot.gov) or call the ADOT project hotline at 855-712-8530.

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# Sports Notebook . . . with Alex Zener

**T**om Joseph spent his third summer as the Aztecs' head coach, continuing in his attempt to revitalize and rebuild Corona's football program—one that lost its way when longtime head coach **Gary Ventura** retired after spearheading the program for 23 years and compiling a 153-98-1 record.

Replacement coach **Zane Zamenski** weakened the program even further when, in 2010, his only year at Corona, he recorded the worst record in school history by winning only one game the entire season.

The 2013-14 Aztecs spent much of the summer lifting weights but left the heat in the Valley for Heber in mid-July for a team camp. About 85 freshmen and sophomores went first, followed later by juniors and seniors.

"Football camp was great this summer. (It was) an important part of our team chemistry as we enter the season," said Joseph. "Thirty-eight varsity players attended, and even though we don't have a lot of depth at some positions, if we stay healthy we should have a great year."

The camp, held at Heber's middle- and high-school, consisted of skill development drills without pads, strength training and team bonding, which may have been reinforced by a grueling uphill run.

The team resumed early morning practices

leading up to the start of school this week, putting in some last-minute work in preparation for another competitive season. This season the Aztecs' schedule changed somewhat because the AIA came out with the next two-year scheduling cycle, restructuring sections and moving schools around.

Although the Aztecs, now in Division I, Section 4, will not have to play Hamilton or Chandler, as they did in the past two years, they still have three very strong playoff caliber teams to play against for the next two years: Desert Vista, Mountain Pointe and Brophy. These teams, along with Mesquite and Dobson, may make it difficult for the Aztecs to get it into the playoffs.

Competing against these opponents may make it difficult to end up in the playoffs, lack of experience and depth on offense and defense could ultimately determine the success or failure of this season's team.

It may be true that Corona only returns three starting offensive players and three starting defensive players from last season's 4-6 team, but according to the statistics on maxpreps.com, several players have varsity experience playing in at least eight games last season. These players will need to step up their offense, defense and special teams performance if the Aztecs hope to improve their record over last season and make it into the playoffs.

The biggest area of concern may be offense and the ability to score points. Corona lost its main offensive threat when **James Contes** graduated.

Last season Contes rushed for 1336 yards, including 14 touchdowns, averaging over 130 yards a game. To put things into perspective, Aztec quarterback **Evan Kinney**, another graduate, was second, averaging only 25 yards a game scoring seven of the Aztec's 30 touchdowns.

Although no official roster has been published, several of the players who gained varsity experience as juniors last season, could be the difference between a subpar season and recording a 5-5 or better record.

**George Wright**, for instance, had 53 carries and three touchdowns. **RJ Rhiner**, who was the back-up quarterback as well last season, had 32 carries and two touchdowns while **Blake Jones** saw action in all 10 games on offense. He carried the ball 35 times averaging over 10 yards a game.

**Tevin Mayfield**, the leading receiver the last two seasons with 20 receptions for 260 yards and two touchdowns in 2012, will probably once again be a key component in any success the Aztecs have in receptions and thus points to win games. Just a few players have experience receiving the ball from last

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season but many of these players maybe called upon to help in this crucial area.

**Grant Fishburn**, for instance, played in 9 games last year where he had nine receptions and one touchdown. He averaged close to 25 receiving yards a game. The only other players who have limited varsity game experience receiving the ball are Wright with seven receptions, Jones with five and **Thomas Turley** with one reception.

No quarterback has been designated by Joseph but Rhiner will probably be in the mix. He completed 22 passes last season on 48 attempts for 240 yards and two touchdowns.

Unlike some of the bigger programs Corona will be playing against who have upwards to 90 players on a team, most of the better Aztec players also play defense. The Aztecs have three players who played in all 10 games last season who will mostly likely be the backbone of Corona's defense this season: **Jacob Riedell**, Turley and Jones.

Riedell had 55 solo tackles, 71 assists for a total of 126 tackles or 12.6 per game. He had four quarterback sacks and nine tackles that resulted in the opponents losing yardage.

Turley, in 10 games played, had 20 solo and 28 assists for close to 5 tackles a game and 2 sacks while Jones, playing on both sides of the ball, averaged over a tackle a game and 1 sack.

The Aztecs should also return their kicker **Isaac Niemtschk**, who not only kicked the ball off 30 times but scored 26 points on point after kicks, ran

the ball back on kick offs and played defense. **Chris Baker** with six kick offs while playing in two games should also return.

**Cassius Peat** could also have a breakout season. Peat, at 6-foot-4 and 235 pounds, sometimes described by his father as the most athletic of the Peat

brothers may be better known for his basketball skills at Corona but that could all change this year.

Peat's statistics as a sophomore were average. He played in nine games averaging 6.6 yards a game

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## Greenhouse grows a legacy for its founders, caretaker

By Preslie Hirsch

Find “diamond in the rough” in the dictionary and a photo of Corona del Sol High School’s greenhouse may pop up right next to the definition. Like the phrase implies, possibilities grow best with nurturing.

Located behind a 36-year-old campus building, the school’s greenhouse lacks the care it deserves.

Home to educational lessons through clubs, as well as in biology and previously offered botany classes, the long-established structure serves as a hands-on learning experience for students.

Between her involvement in other school gardens (like Kyrene Aprende Middle School) and Corona on-campus band events, Aztec parent Eduarda Schroder witnessed a need for some motivated garden enthusiasts who weren’t afraid of a little dirt or the intense heat.

“During a staff lunch sponsored by the PTO on the last day of school, I met Mr. Feldman, who told me all about the greenhouse and how it would

be perfect for me to be involved,” Schroder said. Feldman is now retired and has moved to New York.

“He connected me with the principal, Mr. Brown, who gave his blessing as well. I have since met Mr. Doyle, the science chair, who is excited to see the garden being cared for.”

Backed by encouragement from the Corona faculty, Schroder got to work. The tasks are tiring but pay off immensely in the overall appearance, cleanliness and viability of the unit.

“Right now we continue weeding, trimming bushes, cleaning and moving smaller greenhouses closer to the larger one. We have thrown away dried plants, moved pots, trimmed trees, raked and swept a lot, too,” Schroder said. “Basically we determined what was of no use and threw it in the trash. The trash pile was massive and has recently been moved away by the grounds people.”

A desire to work for free outside in the middle of the summer seems hard to grasp, although observers say

— GREENHOUSE, Page 13

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motivation in cases like Schroder's comes from a more personal place.

"I enjoy working outside; it reminds me of my childhood spent in Mozambique, where the neighborhood kids spent a lot of time outside playing in the fields and being creative with local resources," she said. "Growing food is such a fascinating experience that I want to do it on a larger scale. This garden has the potential to feed people in need. It doesn't get better than that. It is worth all the scratches and achy muscles. I also love seeing young people get excited about restoring a beautiful place as they bond while working."

Schroder plans for many possibilities for the greenhouses' future.

"I envision growing vegetables to be donated at the discretion of the principal, an active participation in growing said vegetables by the culinary classes, and a nice picnic table in a particular nice spot to be used by faculty at lunch when the weather permits," Schroder said.

"I know that it is also used by a class where students learn survival skills. The garden has huge potential."

Corona Principal Brent Brown agrees with the tremendous learning experiences the well-cared-for greenhouse will bring.



Eduarda Schroder: A passion for green.

— Wrangler News photo by Billy Hardiman

In addition to the up-close educational opportunities for students, teachers have been attending workshops on embracing the subject over the past year to better understand the initiative.

"At Corona, we have the greenhouse and a garden which teachers have used as part of their lessons in teaching students about sustainability. They include recycling, composting, agriculture, botany and

survival techniques."

Others have joined the effort.

"In addition to the teachers who have already been using the garden, we have community members, led by Eduarda Schroder, beginning to clean up the area and planning to utilize the space to expand what we have been doing with it," Brown said.

"We are looking into growing vegetables which can be used by the culinary classes. Also housed in that area is the fuel cell where students can go and learn about the conversion process from natural gas to electricity.

"That powers the greenhouse currently—something not a lot of people know about."

Those interested in the project can donate to the cause in a couple different ways.

"We are still doing inventory of the tools, which look to be plenty," Schroder said. "We welcome volunteers. They would help with tasks like watering, raking and sweeping once we are done with the cleaning stage.

"What we need most are outdoor tables and chairs. The volunteers need them, and they will be wonderful for visitors to use."

The work doesn't stop at the garden.

Exceeding 200 views so far, Schroder takes time to blog about the development of the project online, titling it "Corona Grows."

Members of the community, including former biology and botany teacher Barry Feldman and Corona supporters, can follow its progress through text and pictures published by Schroder at: <http://coronagrows.blogspot.com/>

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### New online resource for active military, veterans and their families

The City of Tempe has posted a new webpage – [www.tempe.gov/military](http://www.tempe.gov/military) – designed to provide veterans, active military and their loved ones with resources to help during or after their service.

Councilmember Robin Arredondo-Savage, an Army veteran, came up with the idea to assemble a number of local and national resources in one place as a service and convenience to veterans and active military.

There are links to resources dealing with education, healthcare, counseling, jobs and more. The webpage also will include personal stories to highlight Tempe residents who are serving or have served with distinction.

In addition, the city has started a listserv for community members who want to sign up to get occasional email updates that are relevant to veterans and active military. A link to sign up for the listserv is on the new webpage.

Arredondo-Savage expressed thanks to the many community organizations that partnered with the city to list their information online.

“The city is grateful for the brave service of our community members. We are in a position to be a location where those residents can find resources they need,” she said.

“I am proud to be part of this project and excited to watch it grow.”

Families and service members are welcome to submit accomplishments or milestones for posting to the webpage.

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## Neighbors can G.A.I.N. from connecting

Join fellow Tempe residents for some party planning at the Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods (G.A.I.N.) Kickoff Event at 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 9, at the Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave.

Tempe elected officials, Police employees and Neighborhood Services staff will be on hand at the kickoff to provide party tips, handouts and information.

There also will be chances to win raffle prizes and opportunities to win party visits from areas

of the city such as Fire, Recycling and Police. As the kickoff date approaches, participants can pre-register their events at [www.tempe.gov/GAIN](http://www.tempe.gov/GAIN) or they can do so at the kickoff.

G.A.I.N. is an annual event designed to unite neighbors and help create safer and better-connected neighborhoods.

Be sure to save the date for this year's G.A.I.N. gatherings on Saturday, Oct. 26.

For questions, email [neighborhoods@tempe.gov](mailto:neighborhoods@tempe.gov) or call 480-350-8234.

## Healing Field honors those lost on Sept. 11, 2001

Tempe will honor the nearly 3,000 victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks at its tenth annual Healing Field tribute at Tempe Beach Park.

The public is invited to view the display of American flags representing victims of that terrible day.

A moving display of patriotism and unity, Healing Field is a free event presented by the

Tempe Exchange Club Foundation and the City of Tempe.

The Healing Field memorial runs Tuesday, Sept. 10, through Saturday, Sept. 14. A special memorial ceremony will be held Sept. 11 at 5:43 a.m. to commemorate when the first plane struck the first tower (Arizona time). A candlelight vigil will be held that evening at 7 p.m.

## Reading, writing and resources

Tempe prides itself on having many great resources available to help all students achieve academic success and stay safe during the school year.

Students from kindergarten through graduate school can access tips and information

on student safety, educational resources, transportation options and integration opportunities with the community at large, by visiting the Tempe Goes Back to School webpage at [www.tempe.gov/backtoschool](http://www.tempe.gov/backtoschool).

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## Corona enrollment concerns prompt petition campaign; signatures near 2,000 mark, says backer

A petition campaign to solve a suggested over-enrollment problem at Corona del Sol High School has nearly reached its preliminary goal of 2,000 signatures, according to one of the campaign's backers.

According to Vinny Mirizio, the campaign seeks to stem classroom crowding that potentially could result from a decision to allow students living outside area boundaries to seek enrollment in any school of their choice.

Until the concept of open enrollment became law several years ago, schools could turn away students who did not live within defined boundaries. Now, if a school has not surpassed its enrollment limits, anyone can apply, no matter that person's place of residence.

Only schools that have not maxed out their authorized numbers must accept applicants from outside the area, however. Until recently, Corona's student population was said to be at its highest allowable limit, thus no new open-enrollment

applications were accepted.

Linda Littell, spokeswoman for the Tempe Union High School District, said she was aware of the petition campaign but that it is not necessary because Corona enrollment is now closed. As of Aug. 5, the unofficial first-day enrollment stood at 2,837.

Another highly regarded school in the Tempe Union district, Desert Vista, reportedly has surpassed the 3,000 mark.

As for teacher-to-student ratios, Littell said any claims of classroom overcrowding are misstated because Corona has remained close to the 21 Full-time Equivalent mark, and never has exceeded 27.

She also said she's heard some discussion that out-of-district students from places like Maricopa and the town of Guadalupe are skewing the demographic mix at Corona.

"That's not where (our out-of-district) students are coming from," she said, adding that the primary influx of such enrollments is from homes in Chandler and Phoenix.

To sum up the situation, Littell said she is aware of no significant changes in student population at Corona.

"I have not heard that white flight from there is being confirmed," she said.

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## Tempe Center for Arts shows off its fall events calendar

Temperatures are still shooting up above 100 almost every day at this writing, but even so, I can feel it—fall is coming.

The sun still has a couple of months to pummel us before he eases up and becomes our friend again, but the signs are there:

NFL training camp, back-to-school sales, ads for the fall TV season.

Oh, yeah, and the Fall Preview at Tempe Center for the Arts.

From 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 23, the center will offer a look ahead at its upcoming performing-arts season.

But the look ahead is a fun evening out in itself. It's free, too.

"We'll have four or five groups performing," says the center's Kris Baxter-Ging. "Step's Junk Funk, Tempe Community Chorus, CONDER/dance and Desert Dance Theatre. In the lounge a singer, Gary Marsh, will be performing. He comes out of our Tempe Songwriters' Showcase."

Other performing-arts companies will be represented at the event at tables, from which they'll distribute information on their upcoming seasons, along with giveaways and other fun stuff. Among these will be Childsplay—whose 2013-14 season will kick off with a production of *Robin Hood* in September—Lakeshore Jazz Series,

Arizona Academy of the Performing Arts, Tempe Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Arizona Wind Symphony, as well Friends of TCA.

Snacks will be offered during the evening, free with the purchase of a drink. An exhibition, titled *Animal Crackers* and featuring animal-themed works by such artists as Marcos de Niza High School ceramics teacher Jasen Evoy, as well as art by actual animals like Ruby the Elephant of the Phoenix Zoo, will be up in the center's gallery.

And while the preview ends at 7 p.m., the fun doesn't.

Starting at 7:30 p.m. is the Tempe Comedy Showcase, featuring Liliya Souslova that evening, for just \$10. Or, you might opt for the 8 p.m. concert by popular Indian singer Pankaj Udhas, with tickets starting at \$29.

So, as Baxter-Ging observes:

"If you're having drinks and enjoying yourself and don't feel like going home, you can go to another show."

It sounds worth putting on your calendar. For details visit <http://www.tempe.gov/index.aspx?page=575> or call 480-350-2TCA (2822).

— By M.V. Moorhead



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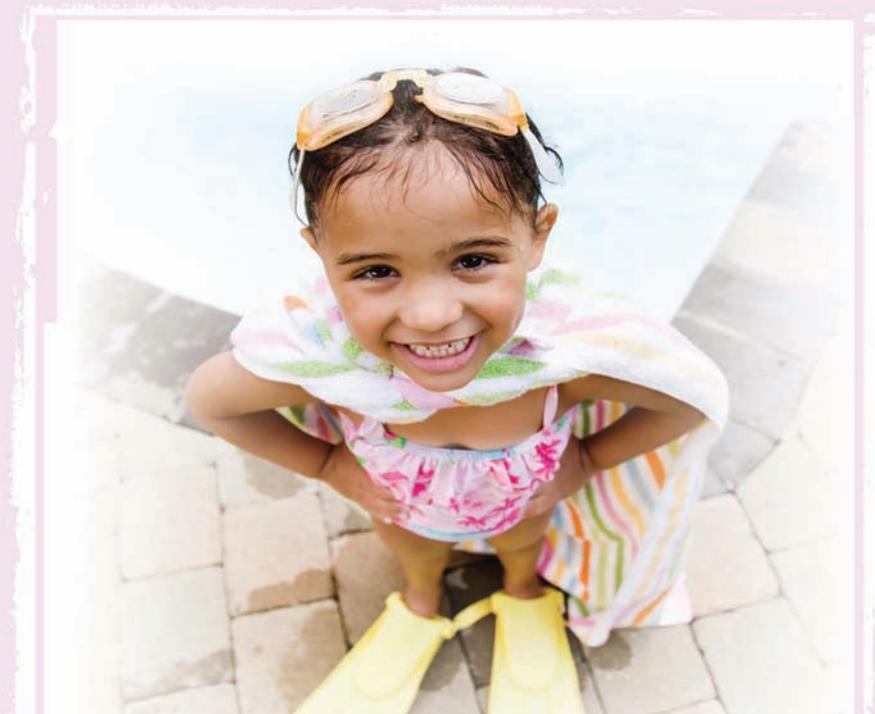


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# Former President Bush likely benefited from early diagnosis that caught heart defect

By Alison Stanton

In the early morning hours of Tuesday, Aug. 6, former President George W. Bush had a stent inserted into an artery in his heart.

The operation was performed at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas.

According to news reports, the blocked artery was found the day before when the 67-year-old 43rd president underwent his annual physical examination at the Cooper Clinic, also in Dallas.

The former president was said to be resting comfortably after the procedure, and his office reported that the operation was a success. He was expected to stay in the hospital overnight and was hoping to return to his usual schedule after a day or so.



Dr. Georges Nseir

Dr. Georges Nseir, medical director of the cath lab at Chandler Regional Medical Center, is highly familiar with the procedure that former President Bush just underwent.

In some cases, he said, people will experience symptoms like shortness of breath, pressure in the chest, unusual levels of fatigue, and dizziness.

For others, he said, there can be no symptoms at all.

"If it's a silent form of this condition, there will be no shortness of breath or chest pain. It is very possible that during his physical, his doctors performed an EKG and they saw something that caught their eye because it was different than the year before. "That could be one scenario."

People who are found to have

blocked arteries typically have three treatment choices, Nseir said.

If the blockage is not severe, it is sometimes possible to take medication to treat the problem.

If multiple blockages are found, then open heart surgery is usually warranted, he said.

"The third option for treating a blocked artery is to insert a stent," he said. The stent is threaded inside the blood vessels, usually through a large artery in the groin.

Before the stent is inserted, Nseir said the blocked artery is opened up through the help of a small balloon that will help to squish the plaque and break it apart.

Arteries are like rubber bands, Nseir explained, and are stretched and recoiled during the process.

The stent is used to help keep the artery open.

"We position the stent, which is made of wire mesh, at the front of the blockage, and the tissue of the artery will grow around it and the stent will stay in place," Nseir said.

Patients who have stents should continue to have EKGs performed every year or so, or even sooner if they have a return of any symptoms.

Nseir said former President Bush's experience serves as a good reminder about the importance of being proactive about one's health and scheduling regular checkups.

"Older people need to get their physicals, have their blood pressure checked and have a physical exam, and have an EKG to detect any possible blockages."

Everyone in the community is invited and encouraged to celebrate the big event while accompanying followers of the center in making history.

Along with a ceremonial ribbon cutting, the center will be offering music and refreshments, Mezuzah Affixing, and a chance to meet with Dignitaries and friends from various segments of the community.

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## Chabad Center due for Sunday, Aug. 18, grand opening

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# Diversions

With M.V. Moorhead



**Aniston loses her next-door image in adult comedy 'We're the Millers'**

There seem to be certain actresses who, having attained a measure of popularity and acclaim, are suddenly subject to a peculiar fashionable backlash.

Jennifer Aniston has been a major star for almost 20 years now, but I can only think of one person I know who would admit to liking her.

Except me, that is. I like her. She isn't, perhaps, an actress of any great range, but within the scope of what she does she has an easygoing, companionable manner, an unpretentious, goodhearted air of common sense that I find fairly irresistible.

She has what used to be called a girl-next-door quality. She's also managed her career with remarkable shrewdness. The adult comedy *We're the Millers* would probably be a fairly small blip on the summer movie radar if the movie's trailer didn't make it clear that Aniston performs a striptease. The scene in question is nothing especially eye-popping in itself—though Aniston, at 44

years, has every reason to feel confident with her clothes off—but there's somehow an unearned pop-culture piquancy because it's sweet little Rachel from *Friends* gyrating up there.

Aniston is the story about the film, but she isn't the central character. That distinction belongs to the likable *SNL* veteran Jason Sudeikis as Dave, a scruffy, single, small-time weed dealer in Denver.

Dave's not a bad sort, but when he gets robbed of his stash and cash, and is forced to make a huge smuggling run to Mexico and back to make up the loss to his noxious boss (Ed Helms), he realizes that "disreputable loser" is written all over him, and that he'll never get past the border guards alone.

His wacky solution is to enlist three neighbors from his building to masquerade as his square middle-class family,

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taking a trip south of the border in an RV the size of a small continent; he figures this hide-in-plain-sight cover will make him invisible to the authorities.

So a neglected adolescent boy (the terrific Will Poulter) plays his good-hearted son, a guttersnipe runaway (Emma Roberts) plays his teenage daughter, and a broke, fed-up stripper (Aniston) poses as the little woman (a thieving boyfriend is used to explain how a stripper with no drug problem comes to be broke).

The plan works perfectly, and the trip goes smoothly. Just kidding. All manner of humiliating—and rather xenophobic—complications arise for the foulmouthed, sarcastic quartet, all in roughly the manner of *The Hangover* and its imitators.

“The Millers” end up entangled with drug lords and DEA agents and crooked motorcycle cops; they’re pulled into other people’s marital frustrations. A tarantula crawls up a pantleg, resulting in a sight gag similar to a notorious one in 1998’s *There’s Something About Mary*.

It’s a sentimental comedy, of course—the four start to truly bond as a family through all of this and to look out for each other.

Director Rawson Marshall Thurber gets the picture off to an excellent start, setting up the premise with admirable speed and efficiency.

But the contrived, heavy-handed shtick slows it down as it progresses.

Still, the actors keep it from grinding to a halt. I thought there were plenty of laughs—mostly rising from the

characterizations, not the coarse gags—even if the movie loses some energy in its second half.

The four Millers really do seem to connect and learn to enjoy each other’s company. It’s soon easy to perceive affection just under the surface of their casual, almost reflexive exchange of obscenities and aspersions.

In this way, their behavior probably isn’t too different

from most square middle-class families. They just think it is, because they’ve gotten their image of such families from movies and TV. But then, the makers of *We’re the Millers* have probably gotten *their* image of outcasts and misfits from the movies.

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# With end-of-season vacations, police suggest ways to keep home safe

*Editor's note: Molly Enright, a public information officer for the Tempe Police Department, reminds readers that this remains a popular time of year for heat-weary residents to get out of town for a welcome respite. With the arrival of that season come the police department's suggestions for keeping your home safe while you're gone.*

**A**s the summer winds down to a close, area police departments want to give residents a few crime prevention tips to protect your home.

**If you do plan to vacation the remainder of the summer, or any time of year:**

- Make it a priority to install locks and secure doors, windows, garages and gates year round.
- Consider installing timer switches on indoor and outdoor

lights.

- Provide an itinerary and emergency contact numbers to family, friends or a trusted neighbor.
- Do not advertise your absence on your phone message or social media.
- Put a temporary hold on mail and newspaper delivery.
- Ask family and trusted neighbors to keep an eye on your home.
- Protect your family, your home and your belongings year round:
  - Check all doors and windows – on a regular basis
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  - Photograph and write down serial numbers of electronics
  - Inventory and catalog any other items of value.

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Course	Class #	Class Title	Dates	Time	Day	Credits
<b>16 WEEK DAY CLASSES</b>						
ARH100	35116	Introduction to Art (HU)	8/20-12/13	11:30A-12:45P	TR	3
CIS105	36764	Survey of Computer Info Systems (CS)	8/19-12/13	10:00-11:40A	MW	3
COM100	35039	Intro to Human Communication (SB)	8/19-12/13	11:30A-12:45P	MW	3
COM230	36949	Small Group Communication (SB)	8/19-12/13	10:00-11:15A	MW	3
CRE101	34998	Critical and Evaluative Reading I (L)	8/23-12/13	8:30-11:15A	F	3
ENG081	34999	Basic Writing Skills	8/20-12/13	8:30-9:45A	TR	3
ENG091	35000	Fundamentals of Writing	8/21-12/13	10:00-11:15A	TR	3
ENG100AE	36974	Composition Skills	8/20-12/13	9:00-9:50A	T	1
ENG101	34713	First Year Composition (FYC)	8/19-12/13	8:30-9:45A	MW	3
ENG102	34712	First Year Composition (FYC)	8/19-12/13	10:00-11:15A	MW	3
ENH259	40970	American Indian Literature (C, H)	8/19-12/13	10:00A-12:45P	F	3
GBS205	36952	Legal, Ethical, and Reg Issues in Business	8/23-12/13	8:30-11:30A	F	3
HIS140	36766	American Indian History (C,H,SB)	8/20-12/14	11:00A-12:15P	TR	3
MAT082	35088	Basic Arithmetic	8/19-12/13	10:30-11:45A	MW	3
MAT091	35117	Introductory Algebra	8/20-12/13	11:30-1:10P	TR	4
MAT121	35213	Intermediate Algebra	8/20-12/13	8:30-10:10A	TR	4
MAT141	35119	College Mathematics (MA)	8/19-12/13	8:30-10:10A	MW	4
RDG081	35003	Reading Improvement	8/19-12/13	8:30-9:45A	MW	3
RDG091	34714	Reading Improvement	8/19-12/13	10:00-11:15A	MW	3
<b>16 WEEK EVENING CLASSES</b>						
ACC111	36763	Accounting Principles I	8/20-12/13	5:30-6:45P	TR	3
AST101	40972	Intro to Astronomy	8/20-12/13	6:00-8:30P	T	3
AST102	40973	Intro to Astronomy (Lab)	8/20-12/13	6:00-8:30P	R	3
BPC110	40963	Computer Usage and Applications	8/22-12/13	5:30-8:50P	R	3
CNT140AA	34958	Cisco Networking Fundamentals (Hybrid)	8/19-12/13	5:45-9:45P	W	4
ECN211	41531	Microeconomics	8/20-12/13	7:00-9:30P	T	3
ENG091	36953	Fundamentals of Writing	8/20-12/13	7:30-8:45P	TR	3
ENG100AE	40969	Composition Skills	8/20-12/13	6:30-7:20P	T	1
ENG101	35001	First Year Composition (FYC)	8/20-12/13	5:30-6:45P	TR	3
ENG102	35002	First Year Composition (FYC)	8/20-12/13	7:00-8:15P	TR	3
GLG101	36948	Intro to Geology I - Historical Lec (G,SQ)	8/19-12/13	6:00-8:30P	M	3
GLG103	36950	Intro to Geology I - Historical Lab (SQ)	8/21-12/13	6:00-8:30P	W	1
MAT082	34986	Basic Arithmetic	8/19-12/13	5:30-6:45P	MW	3
MAT091	35118	Introductory Algebra	8/19-12/13	7:30-9:10P	MW	4
MAT121	36802	Intermediate Algebra	8/19-12/13	5:30-7:10P	MW	4
MAT141	41303	College Mathematics (MA)	8/19-12/13	5:30-7:10P	MW	4
MAT151	41302	College Algebra/Functions (MA)	8/19-12/13	7:30-9:10P	MW	4
MAT213	34987	Brief Calculus (MA)	8/19-12/13	7:30-9:10P	MW	4
PHI101	40966	Intro to Philosophy (HU)	8/20-12/13	7:30-9:45P	T	3
PSY101	34963	Introduction to Psychology (SB)	8/19-12/13	7:00-9:30P	M	3
PSY230	36951	Introduction to Statistics (CS)	8/19-12/13	5:30-6:45P	MW	3
RDG091	34962	Reading Improvement	8/20-12/13	5:30-6:45P	TR	3
REC120	37015	Leisure and Quality of Life (SB)	8/22-12/13	5:30-8:30P	R	3
REL243	35007	World Religions (G, H)	8/20-12/13	7:00-9:30P	T	3
SOC101	35008	Introduction to Sociology (SB)	8/23-12/13	7:00-9:30P	W	3
SWU171	34886	Introduction to Social Welfare* HY	8/22-12/13	7:00-9:30P	R	3
SWU291	36849	Social Serv Delivery Systems	8/19-12/13	7:00-9:30P	M	3
SWU292	36850	Effective Helping in a Diverse World (C,SB) HY	8/21-12/13	7:00-9:30P	W	3
YAQ100	40967	Yaqui History and Culture (C,SB)	8/22-12/13	7:30-9:45P	R	3
<b>LATE START/SHORT TERM CLASSES</b>						
AAA115	36845	Adv Academic Achievement - 8 Weeks	9/6-10/25	9:00-10:40A	F	1
AAA115	37004	Advancing Academic Achievement - 3 Weeks	7/30-8/15	8:30-11:30A	TR	1
BPC100	35021	Business-Personal Computers-8 Weeks	10/18-12/13	8:30-11:00A	F	2
BPC111AA	40964	Computer Keyboarding I - 5 Weeks	9/6-10/4	8:30A-12:00P	F	1

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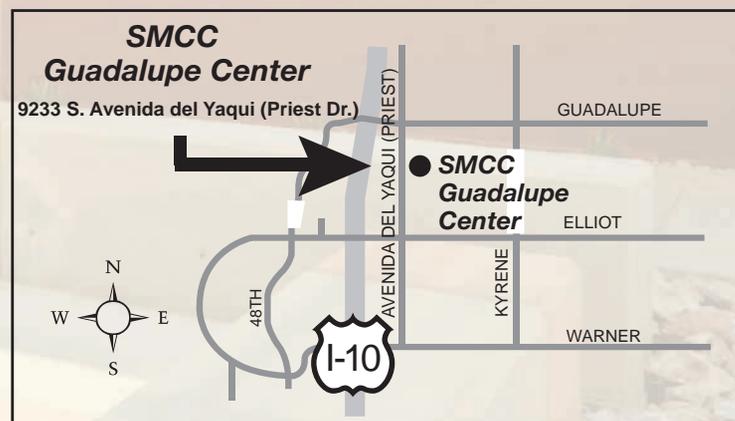
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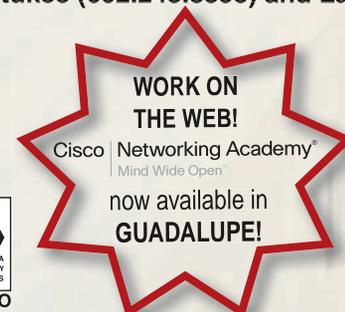
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# Mantra guides entrepreneur to life's successes

By Chelsea Martin

“Reach for the moon and you’ll land among the stars.” For some it’s a simple coherent sentence. For others it’s a colorful and hopeful mantra—a way of facing the challenges and opportunities of day-to-day living.

For Tempe resident Julie Busskohl, a dedicated accountant for nearly 33 years, it’s the very foundation upon which life is built.

Busskohl’s concept of mantra is simple: Its

power cannot work successfully merely by wishing and dreaming while lacking any physical initiative. Success can be achieved only if people are willing to exemplify passion and a drive that exceed the expectations of the world around them.

Then, “landing among the stars” will follow accordingly.

After wanting to open a store since the early ‘80s, an opportunity arose when her current accounting employer’s second bankruptcy led her to close one

door and open the next.

The inspiration that led her to open the store, Thriftiques, came during her early days making and selling jewelry at local farmers markets.

“I started setting up my booth as a little boutique because people would just walk on by and have no interest in trays with jewelry. I started buying furniture and setting up my booth like a bedroom,”

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# Mantra

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Busskohl said.

The boutique-style ambiance encouraged Busskohl to advance her creativity to a whole new level, and she began hand-painting the furniture.

When Busskohl was working as an accountant, she recalls, she awakened nearly every day at 1:30 a.m. to paint furniture for upcoming events, such as Junk in the Trunk and the Big Heap shows.

She started participating in the those in October 2012.

"I was doing all of the painting in the middle of the night and then going to work in the morning. It was exhausting, and eventually I was burnt out and itching to do something else," Busskohl said.

The moment she realized she was committed to the idea of opening a store, she chose a Tempe location on the southeast corner of Rural and Elliot roads because it was near her home and she was familiar with the demographics.

Although she originally had planned on opening a store half the size of the space that was available, the landlord was willing to discuss a deal she couldn't resist.

"There are a lot of stores similar to mine in downtown Phoenix and Mesa, and I really felt like our city needed one, too," Busskohl said.

"I think it's great to have a couple similar antique-

style shops around in one area. Green Table Gifts off Warner and McClintock and Do Overs off Guadalupe are perfect complements to my store, and help make this (location) a destination for shoppers."

Thriftiques opened May 1 of this year. Now, local artisans fill the store with an abundance of vintage furniture and home décor. Busskohl provides space for 40 different operators. There are 20 floor-space vendors that typically provide furniture and 20 wall-space and counter-space vendors who offer things such as pictures, jewelry and knick-knacks.

Items are added to the store daily.

"I let my vendors bring their stuff in whenever they want—mainly because most of them have children and full-time jobs, so I need to work around their schedules," Busskohl said.

The store is constantly changing, never allowing a void space for long. Busskohl is in charge of dispersing the items throughout the store, occasionally asking friends and vendors their opinions.

The space available doesn't allow for booths, but Busskohl prefers it because it allows all of her vendors an equal opportunity of selling.

"I had a customer come in today saying it was just the right size, not too small so you can actually spend some time with a good variety but not too big where you have to spend all day looking," Busskohl said.

The local aspect of the store and the unique setup catches the eye of plenty of prospective buyers, including many of Busskohl's neighbors and various groups around town.

Community connection is a priority for Busskohl, who offers the space in the back of Thriftiques to various groups such as Junk N' Love and a garden club, and for classes for the community.

Busskohl says she's grateful for the support from her family, friends, neighbors and customers that has allowed her to continue to live her dream.

"I absolutely love having this store, and I love the local aspect of it," Busskohl said.

"I just love the neighborhood and getting to know my neighbors better through the store. I met a neighbor of mine in this store and we ended up figuring out we had been neighbors for seven years."

Every day is a new challenge for Busskohl to tackle, she says, whether it is a new furniture arrangement in the store, a paint job, a community class or the conventional day-to-day business routine.

Finally, Busskohl, she couldn't be happier.

"This is my dream job. I am always doing something and it is so unbelievably rewarding. I come home every day feeling good," Busskohl said.

"Even my parents said I look so much happier now."

*Information: Thriftiques is at 931 E. Elliot Road, Suite 116, Tempe, southeast corner of Elliot and Rural. Phone: 480-296-4178.*

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## Corona said to have been on list for Obama's visit

Corona del Sol High School was among several Valley locations considered for President Obama's Aug. 6 appearance, according to top-level sources in a position to know some of the details of the decision-making process.

Mountain Pointe H.S. in Ahwatukee also was among those seen as potential sites.

The choice of Desert Vista High School was said to have been based on transportation logistics from Sky Harbor Airport to the destination site.

Obama was scheduled to lay out his plan to continue to help responsible homeowners and other Americans who seek to own their own homes as another cornerstone of how to strengthen the middle class.

The Aug. 6 speech was the latest in a series of the president's discussions of the state of the economy.

## How our photographer gained a spot among the media's elite

By Don Kirkland

5 a.m. Monday, Aug. 5 — I had rolled out of bed a half hour earlier, knowing it would be a hectic week with our upcoming edition ready to burst at the seams. Stories, photos and ads had been flooding in, so I wasn't eager to take on any additional pre-deadline projects.

But something our photographer had said to me on Saturday morning as we sorted through 350 or so pictures he had taken of the Corona del Sol football team, and which I had dismissed because it seemed an unrealistic undertaking, was nagging at me again.

Wouldn't it be great, he'd suggested, if he could get in to take photos when President Obama arrived in town on Tuesday. This coming from an (almost) 17-year-old high school student with lots of enthusiasm but not much concept at the time of what it would take to get him cleared, credentialed



## For our photographer, a remarkable day Memories that won't soon fade

By Billy Hardiman  
As told to Chelsea Martin

On the morning that President Obama was expected to arrive in Arizona, I woke up with chills, anxious to head to Desert Vista High School to join the media professionals who were to be there to broadcast the event, likely in some cases around the world.

I moved quickly that morning, never once allowing nerves to find a vulnerable mental opening.

By 6:15 I had arrived at the school but sat there for a few minutes deciding when I should take the plunge and go in.

I was excited yet I really didn't know what to expect. All I was hoping for was that I would be given the chance to enter the press area with no last-minute, unresolved questions.

Ten minutes passed and there I was, inside the building, security and Secret Service scattered strategically throughout, one sorting through my camera bag as I scanned my surroundings.

I was the first photographer to arrive so was able to score a perfect spot in the center of the auditorium.

An additional security sweep was conducted outside the building, and every person there had to wait for four

hours until that one was completed.

Once everyone was let inside, the additional hour and a half wait passed like a breeze because I was soaking it all up, truly enjoying the moment.

I found myself capturing photo after photo of the energized crowd, smiling at the realization that this wasn't just a dream.

Interestingly, the huge 400 mm lens we had rented for the occasion was exactly the same one most of the professionals were using.

At around 1 p.m., Obama glided onto the stage—the moment everyone had been waiting for.

It was a wonderful experience, and I still cannot yet fully wrap my head around the fact that I actually photographed the President of the United States.

The entire day felt oddly surreal. I was simply engaging in the hobby I love, while simultaneously working and capturing moments into digital photographs that never fade.

When I would glance up from my camera lens, I would have to stop and remind myself, oh, wait—this is so cool.

It was truly amazing and I'm grateful for the opportunity.

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## Face time with Obama A rare opportunity, a surprising outcome

and ready to go on assignment on barely a day's notice—to photograph the president of the United States, that is.

The more I thought about it, though, the more I thought, hey, it really would be great for him to have such an experience, and of course a nice opportunity to show that we can occasionally go beyond our routine coverage boundaries for something, well, pretty significant newswise.

So I called a contact at Tempe PD, Molly Enright, who emailed some excellent suggestions, one of which involved the public information director at the Tempe Union High School District, Linda Littell.

That turned out to be the mother lode.

Linda forwarded the media application materials she'd received from the White House (Obama's planned destination, Desert Vista High School, is part of the Tempe district, and thus part of Linda's PR domain). That document, produced for online submission, was designed to go to Noreen Kassam, a member of the White House advance team for presidential visits.

And then the unexpected happened. Within an hour came Noreen's response: "He's good to go."

So that's the short version of how Warner Ranch resident, Horizon Community Learning Center junior—and Wrangler News photographer—Billy Hardiman managed to join

Republic photographers like Tom Tingle and David Kadlubowski, plus a who's-who of local and worldwide media notables, for what turned out to be an experience of a lifetime.

To all those who helped make it happen: A huge thank-you. From all of us at Wrangler News.



Wrangler News photos by Billy Hardiman



# Valley Christian golf champ takes a spot among world's best

Incoming Valley Christian High School freshman R.J. David not only represented Arizona but emerged as one of only 36 U.S. contenders who earned a spot on Team USA at the World Cup teen golf finals last month in Pinehurst, N.C.

First competing in the Boys 14 Division, David recorded four birdies in his second-round 69 to take a two-stroke lead at 4 under par heading into the final round.

Through 36 holes, he recorded nine birdies and was the only player to have posted the first two rounds under par.

In the final round, David battled stiff competition and a 2-hour, 22-minute weather delay. He shot a 75 (+3) to finish his three rounds at 1 under par, and tied for second place.

"(It) was great being in contention, and having a very good chance of winning," he said.

Being away from home also made an impression.

"I experienced a different part of the country. In addition I met a lot of great kids who were friendly, easy to get along with and from all over the world, as far as Iceland."

With his top-four finish in his age group, David earned a coveted spot on Team USA for the World Cup. The only Arizonan on the squad, David and his partner from Michigan took the course with the Americans trailing the International Team 2-1.

David and his partner recorded a bogey-free 33 on the back nine on route to the day's best score, a five-under-par 67. The duo earned a three-stroke victory and thwarted any momentum the internationals had gained.

The international team was represented by Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Iceland, Indonesia, Mexico, Peru, Philippines and the United Kingdom. Those nine teams combined to shoot 3 over par.

Team USA was represented by 12 states; the nine American teams combined to shoot 18 under par.

The championship featured 507 boys and girls, ages 13-18, from 31 countries. Pinehurst Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 8, and National Golf Club hosted the eighth annual event.

—Bryan Winfrey



## Sports

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rushing on offense. On defense, he had three sacks and one fumble recovery that resulted in a 49-yard touchdown. He played on special teams carrying the ball on 10 kickoff returns. College recruiters obviously think Cassius is anything but average.

He is being recruited as a 2015 outside linebacker.

ASU has already offered him as has Michigan State University where he visited the campus last month. Corona fans may have to wait a couple of games to see what he can do because Peat is currently injured and rumored to maybe until after August 30.

Other returning players who could play a defensive and offensive role in Corona's success this season are **Jack Robertson, Jameson Langois, Mike Clare, Jordan Somerville, Travis Longacre, Tyler Daugherty, Dominic Bynum, Omar Soussi, Travis Blaser, Spencer Murphy, Austin Parrish, Donnivin Moraca and Andrew Onofrio.**

The Aztecs start the season by playing five freedom games before they play their first scheduled section game on Oct. 4.

Although their first game will be at Buena in Sierra Vista on Aug. 30, a preseason scrimmage is scheduled on Aug. 21 at 6 p.m. against Thunderbird and Sandra Day O'Connor.

"We will make a depth chart and name starters after our evaluation of the player's performances in the scrimmage Aug. 21," said Joseph.

"We look forward to a successful season on all three levels and appreciate all the hard work our players and coaches have put in so far this year."

That first so-called freedom game at Buena will be an important test of Corona's football team early in the season and may be a giant step in setting the tone for the rest of the year.

Corona's first home game will be against Scottsdale Horizon Sept. 6.

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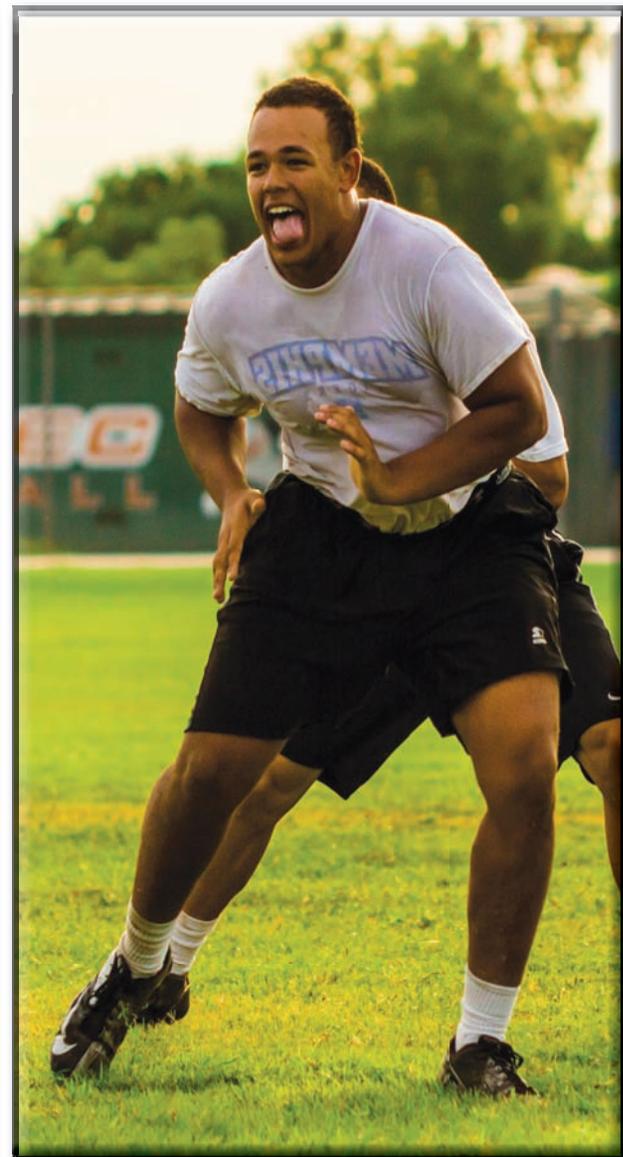
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Blistering temps didn't throw cold water on the determination of the Aztec football squad as its members rose early for a pre-season workout.

— Wrangler News photos by Billy Hardiman



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## Ask the Expert To breastfeed or not breastfeed

During National Breastfeeding Month in August, many organizations work to promote, support and raise awareness of the benefits of breast milk. Producing breast milk after delivering a baby is the body's natural process and offers many immediate and lifelong benefits for both mom and baby.

While the majority of baby-bearing mothers set out with the intention to exclusively breastfeed, many become unenthusiastic after the first month due to the challenges it involves. However, a recent study highlighted some positive breastfeeding trends. Nearly 77 percent of new moms attempt to breastfeed and up to 27 percent of new moms are breastfeeding for a year or longer. Brigett Garner, WHNP, a nurse practitioner at Women's Care Center Clinic at Tempe St. Luke's and a new mom herself, answers some common questions about breastfeeding.

**Why is breastfeeding important to babies and their mothers?** — When breastfeeding, the prolactin hormone is released by the mother and attributes to the strong bonding sense mothers feel towards their newborns. Breastfeeding can create a psychological bond that makes the baby feel secure and puts the mother at ease knowing she can provide for her child. Studies have shown that breast-fed babies are often healthier and are less likely to develop health issues, such as asthma, diabetes and obesity.

**How long should you breastfeed?** — It is up to the mother to decide how long she wants to breastfeed her child. During the first six months, a mom's milk is heavily flourished with antibodies, called immunoglobulins, which aid a baby's immune system as he or she develops. However, breastfeeding is a personal choice and many factors may impact a woman's ability to breastfeed over time. For example, women in the professional field may be inhibited by their schedule, while stay-at-home-moms may choose to breastfeed up to a year or beyond. I encourage new moms to try breastfeeding and ultimately do the best that they can. If a mother manages to breastfeed for a week, a month or a year, she will be helping her baby get off to a healthy start.

**What is your advice for women who are having difficulty breastfeeding?** — If a woman is struggling with breastfeeding, the best advice I can give is to contact a certified lactation consultant as soon as trouble starts to assess both the mother and the baby. Lactation consultants are also available at the hospital after giving birth. I encourage women to take advantage of this time by asking questions. Prior to giving birth many hospitals, such as Tempe St. Luke's and Mountain Vista Medical Center, offer child preparation and breastfeeding classes. It's always important to remember that some breast milk is better than none.

**Should women follow a breastfeeding diet?** — There is no specific diet that women need to follow to help maintain a good breast milk supply, but it should be a diet that is well-balanced, much like during pregnancy. Women should continue to take a prenatal vitamin as well. It is important for women to stay hydrated or their milk supply can be impacted, so I recommend women drink at least 5 liters of water per day. There are certain foods that may help boost milk supply such as oatmeal, spinach, carrots, legumes, papaya, asparagus and brown rice.

*Brigett Garner, WHNP, is a nurse practitioner at the Women's Care Center Clinic at Tempe St. Luke's Hospital. To learn more about the Women's Care Center Clinic or to make an appointment, call 480-257-2777.*

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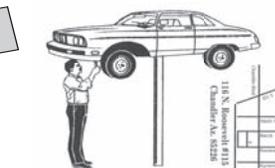
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