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Aztec catcher Ben Click ponders the outcome of Corona's head-to-head meeting with Hamilton High for the Division 1 state championship. More photos on Page 16. — Billy Hardiman for Wrangler News



1,000 signatures so far as protests mount against two So. Tempe projects

One a 'done deal,' other could proceed

By Sammie Ann Wicks

Impending commercial development of two key adjacent corners in South Tempe has nearby neighbors scrambling to protest and resist the move. One community organizer says his group is already preparing to show up at upcoming public hearings on the projects.

"We'll be coming out in droves," says Matt Smith, an activist representing neighborhoods near the planned developments. "We just don't understand why we need another Raising Cane's chicken or Valvoline depot."

Smith is referring to proposed Valvoline Instant Oil Change and Raising Cane's franchises on the southwest and southeast corners, respectively, of Warner and McClintock. Raising Cane's is headquartered in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Plano, Texas, and operates more than 300 locations in 21 states.

Organizer of southtempe.org, Smith reports the group already has gathered about 1,000 signatures on a petition opposing the developments to present to the appropriate city agencies.

But one of the developments, says a Tempe City Council member, already is "a done deal."

"Look. I live here. I serve the people here. I

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Special bounty for special teens Harvesting an unlikely crop

By Noah Kutz

Not everyone has the opportunity to watch their food grow from seedlings in the garden to veggies on the plate. For Tempe High School Special Education students, it's an experience they can have every day. What started as

Deadline for comments on the FAA flight plan proposal reported in our last issue is coming up soon.

See Pg. 27 for details.

an attempt to enlarge the space for the Special Ed program at the school turned into a fully functioning garden patio, complete with tomatoes, peppers, peas, various flowers and —as unlikely for Arizona as it may seem—wheat.

Though wheat is rarely the first crop average Arizonans think to plant in their desert garden beds, for these students the challenge became bountiful. Tall, yellow-ish stalks quickly began sprouting from every square inch of the rectangular garden after the students sowed the seeds themselves earlier in the year.

The amount of wheat required to make enough bread for the class would most likely take the entirety of the garden space at the school, but



Teens tend to the wheat harvest they've nurtured in a class at Tempe High School. — Wrangler News photo by Noah Kutz

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Mom's books, young Keating's teacher recall a hero

T's not likely that the kids at Kyrene Traditional Academy would have known what it's like to be a Navy SEAL. Nor that they'd ever heard the story of Charles Keating IV, one of the men credited with demonstrating the SEALs' legendary toughness, perseverance and, ultimately, willingness to die for a cause they believe in.

That's why a recent visit by Keating's mom to a KTA classroom proved to be an eye-opening—and emotionally memorable—experience.

Krista Keating-Joseph is a Gold Star mom who has written two children's books designed to be both motivational and inspiring. The hero of the tales is her son, whom she relates that, even as a youngster, wanted to grow up to be a SEAL.

Her books—*Big-Hearted Charlie Runs the Mile* and *Big-Hearted Charlie Never Gives Up: Fun Adventures*—are based on true stories from when Keating was an adventurous little boy who showed his determination in persevering to overcome obstacles.

He became a heroic SEAL who made the ultimate sacrifice in 2016.

U.S. officials at the time said Keating was part of a small team advising Peshmerga forces in northern Iraq. The U.S. group had been checking on outposts when ISIS fighters mounted a complex attack, the



Mom and son in a shared moment.

officials said. The militants used car bombs and bulldozers to breach the front line, then raced ahead and attacked the command post where Keating was located.

There was no indication that ISIS fighters knew U.S. troops were at the facility at the time, officials

said.

Now, three years and many memories later, Keating's mom says the two books don't talk about the details of his passing.

Their goal is to impart a motivational message from his boyhood that she hopes will inspire children.

While the 100 or so KTA first graders weren't made aware of all the circumstances surrounding Keating's death, their teacher, Dr. Karen Knight, felt the heartbreak personally.

On this, the third anniversary of the tragedy that claimed his life, Knight recalled with fondness the days when a young Keating was a member of her own school classroom.

"It was good for the kids today to learn from Charlie's mom that, even though you sometimes can't see people any more, they're still here," she said. "Keeping Charlie alive that way is very comforting to me because he was a great soul."

And, added Knight, the time Keating-Joseph spent with the kids had yet another benefit that she hopes they'll take with them into adulthood. "She is a great role model for how you can take your grief and turn it into something that can heal you."

So it seems with Knight, who may have been one of those to have benefitted most.



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Change for the world . . . one penny at a time Kids cash in by earning baccalaureate status

By Diana Nelson

urriculum at Kyrene Middle School is now global, and the community is taking notice.

Work is in the final review phase for proposed accreditation of KMS as an International Baccalaureate World School.

Word of the decision should be received in the next few months.

Explained Kathie Cigich, the KMS IB program coordinator, the curriculum is designed to offer students a rigorous academic framework, which also encourages them to make connections between their studies and the international community.

The goal: creating a more tolerant society worldwide that also values intercultural respect.

In its active pursuit of accreditation as an IB program, KMS adopted the program known as Pennies for Peace, a free initiative developed by Central Asia Institute.

"Through (this) curriculum, KMS students learn to become philanthropists and activists, which are key attributes that make up an IB learner," said Cigich.

Last year, Wrangler News featured an article on the KMS program that was seen by Tempe resident Mary Lee Carter, a retired teacher and member of the Arizona International Educators. As a result, Carter nominated the staff and students at KMS for 2019 honors recognizing Distinguished Contribution to Global Initiatives in Arizona.

"My professional organization... awarded KMS for their excellent effort in fostering international education in their curriculum," said Carter, who continues to actively mentor other teachers and students on the importance of international study.

During a diverse career, Carter taught kindergarten at ASU and coordinated academic affairs for foreign students attending Thunderbird School of International Management.

In AIE, Carter said, she and other members are passionate about international education and want to bring new teachers into the field.

"I was particularly gratified to learn about the program at KMS because it targets middle-school-aged students, while most programs in Arizona are for students in high school or college.

"I went to the school and visited with the students, and was really impressed with everything that they are learning," said Carter.

KMS students in sixth, seventh and eighth grades gathered 77,557 pennies (totaling \$775.57) during a semesterlong service-learning activity, along with studying the cultures of Central Asia, specifically Afghanistan, Pakistan and Tajikistan.

To further enhance the service activities, they gave 380 pairs of socks to the target countries' disadvantaged, in addition to providing four belowthe-knee prosthetics for students in Nepal and Tanzania.

All during the program, KMS students learned all about the communities they helped with their donations and became more culturally aware during the process.

Even though the transition to become an IB Programme School has been a challenge for everyone involved, said Cigich, the school's staff worked as a team to ensure the new learning environment was established.

"In the beginning, it was a lot to take in—much like trying to take a drink from a fire hose. Our teachers spent hours on professional development to learn the methodologies and philosophies of the programme.

"To help make the journey more digestible, teachers were presented with action steps that chunked their learning along with access to many resources to help them with the implementation.

"As we are closing our second year of candidacy, the teachers are becoming more and more comfortable with the changes that have been made. When I walk through classrooms, I

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Kyrene Middle School students learned how to be philanthropists through the Pennies for Peace project they participated in as part of the school's IB curriculum. — *Photo courtesy Kathie Cigich*

see what wonderful work our students and teachers are doing every day," said Cigich.

Janis Barden, a fellow teacher in the IB program, at KMS agrees.

"Bringing IB to KMS is an incredible and positive change for the campus. The students' attitudes are focused toward learning skills and how they can improve as a 21st century learner. The overall culture of KMS is one of positive attitudes. Students feel empowered to make a change in the world around them. This is accomplished through our service learning activities."

One Tempe seventh grader, Quinn Sacalis, added a student's endorsement of the school's enrollment in the IB programme. "As a student at Kyrene Middle School, I am extremely grateful for the IB programme. The wonders that the program has done for this school defy words, but I will try.

"With (it), we spend time in class furthering our knowledge by using global contexts to more deeply understand how what we're doing is not only beneficial for us now, but for others in our community."

"We also learn Approaches to Learning Skills (ATL skills) such as research skills to focus our work so we are able to do so efficiently. The impact of the IB programme at my school is spectacular," said Sacalis.

More information about the IB program can be found online at kyrene.org/kyrenemiddleschool

A salute to Chandler women

Women in leadership roles can take credit for many of their community's successes, and the Chandler Chamber of Commerce thinks residents should know those who make the city a better place to live, work and raise a family.

That's the rationale behind the chamber's annual Women in Leadership Luncheon, scheduled Tuesday, May 21.

Site for this year's celebration will be SoHo 63, a hip and historic event venue at 63 E. Boston St. in downtown Chandler.

Registration, networking and complimentary headshots start at 11:45 a.m. with luncheon and program following shortly after noon.

Advance registration, at 480-963-4751, is advised.

This year's Women in Leadership are: **Heather Anguiano**, principal of Hartford Sylvia Encinas Elementary

School; Dr. Camille Casteel, superintendent of the Chandler Unified School District; Andrea Donnellan, special education teacher at Weinberg Elementary School; Melinda Gunther, social worker and co-founder of Live Love Chandler; Priya Kalra, owner of Experimac Chandler; Paula Knight, food bank manager, AZCEND; Denise McCreery, owner of d 'Vine Gourmet; Melanie Smith, volunteer coordinator for Chandler Police Department; Aimee Stewart, founder/artistic director of Chandler Children's Choir; Kari Zurn, senior loan officer, Academy Mortgage Corporation; Jody Zvada, owner of Care in Choosing Senior Placement Services; and The Power Triplets, Cynthia Hardy, Gina Le Benz, Chantal Vanklompenberg, each noted for their individual efforts with one or more of nearly a dozen community organizations.

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Protests

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understand feelings are high," says Jennifer Adams, elected last year to Tempe City Council.

"But the truth is, the city cannot discriminate. The Raising Cane's developer bought that land, made a proposal in keeping with the existing commercial zoning, and they can develop it as they see fit.

"But the Valvoline group needs a use permit." Adams stresses there will be more opportunity for public input with the Valvoline site.

"There is a public hearing scheduled for sometime in July or August over the proposed Valvoline site," says Adams, "and I encourage the neighborhood to come out and express their opinions and let their voices be heard when that occurs."

Valvoline is headquartered in Lexington, Kentucky, and is an international supplier of lubricants and automotive services worldwide. Heather Watson, a spokeswoman for the company, responded to Wrangler's request for comment in an email stating in part:

"Valvoline Instant Oil Change is expanding into many areas of the country and Arizona is an attractive market. We're exploring a quick lube site for development in Tempe. It's very early out though, so we don't yet have details.

"If the site turns out to be a mutually suitable development for the community and Valvoline, I'd be happy to share details for your readers as we know them (rendering image, number of bays, etc.)."

One homeowner in the neighborhood active in the protest effort, who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss a sensitive issue, stresses the neighborhood "isn't against development—just some kinds of development.

Really, an oil change depot and a fast-food franchise don't fit in with the character of this area," said the homeowner.

"The homes around there are in a sleepy neighborhood of multiacre properties, some of them horse properties, with beautiful houses. We can't envision all the retail traffic, the hits on public safety, the gaudy, commercial colors. It just won't work."

She adds other alterations to the corner also have contributed to a significant change in the neighborhood's ambiance.

"To clear one of those corners for development, they tore down a solid brick building that once housed a bank," the homeowner says. "Like the rest of the neighborhood, that building had a lot of character. That's what we're talking about."

Smith echoes the homeowner's views.

"This isn't based on socioeconomic concerns at all," said Smith. "We want development. But we don't want things like vape stores or such like. And if someone comes in with a cool and awesome idea for a business here, we wholeheartedly support it, and we'll get fully behind that type of business owner. That's what people are all fired up about."

The South Tempe neighborhood group will have an opportunity to come before relevant agencies and give its input this summer, according to Kris Baxter-Ging, city of Tempe public information officer.

"The public and members of the concerned neighborhoods will have ample opportunity to make their views known when the Development Review Commission (DRC) meets in July or August to discuss the Valvoline proposal," says Baxter-Ging. She adds that, if the DRC denies

She adds that, if the DRC denies the use permit requested by Valvoline, the developer can appeal to the city council, and both DRC's and the council's meetings will enable residents to comment.

The Development Review Commission is composed of seven members and three alternates. Alternate members serve at a commission hearing whenever a regular member is unable to attend or must decline due to conflict of interest.

At least three regular members of the Commission and one alternate member must be currently practicing in the field of architecture, landscape architecture, urban planning, land use law, real estate or engineering, or otherwise qualified by design background, training, experience or a similar related field.

Smith and other neighborhood homeowners say they will be a vocal presence when each city agency meets to discuss the McClintock/Warner intersection.

"We have two critical issues at our beloved McClintock and Warner in South Tempe," Smith declares on the neighborhood group's website.

"We want to do everything that we can to keep our quality of life, (and) noise, congestion, and fumes that come with an auto shop . . . are (part of) our concern," Smith declares, inviting neighborhood supporters to visit the group's website to add their signatures to the petitions.

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When we make mistakes, we agonize; when our people succeed, we celebrate

By Don Kirkland | Commentary

A shard as we try to avoid errors, the last-minute rush to meet deadlines sometimes throws us an unexpected curve. Joyce and I know, of course, that we can't achieve perfection, and that we'll hear from our readers if something really egregious goes wrong. But the people who are most upset when mistakes happen, it turns out, are us.

Having been in this business for the better part of our adult lives (my own newspapering roots go back to sixth grade, when I copied inked pages onto a gelatin slab in a pie tin and delivered purplish duplicates to my neighbors), we're well aware that things can go wrong.

Most are minor, thankfully, and we may be the only ones to notice them. But sometimes, as in our recent report on flight noise over some Warner Ranch neighborhoods and the opportunity for residents to communicate their thoughts to the F.A.A., we managed to omit a key detail: when, how and where to offer up any such comments.

Now, to make it clear, this omission was not the fault of our writer, Lee Shappell. The process to communicate with the F.A.A. was clearly stated in Lee's well-researched piece that discussed the issue and included a standalone box with the necessary contact details.

So here's where the last-minute rush and the limitations it imposes on us come back into this narrative: Simply said, I forgot about that little box. It's also why you'll find prominently displayed, I hope—the content that I managed to overlook in our last issue, fortunately still in time for you to share your thoughts before any regulatory conclusions are reached.

Yes, mea culpa!

ow on to some news that, for obvious reasons, we are much happier to report. By the time you receive this edition,

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two of our most capable, eager, responsible—and, it should go without saying, favorite—staff members will have graduated from ASU with engineering degrees.

In addition to having worked hard to achieve this goal, they have also found time to bring added dimension to our publication: Billy Hardiman with his photography, Yusef Sabri via his sales and marketing know-how.

Best of all, they have landed jobs with two of the most prestigious research, development and engineering companies in the world, both with a strong Valley presence.

To Billy and Yusef, these opportunities provide an exciting starting point for what we know will be long and productive careers.

To us, the companies' proximity to our local neighborhoods offer the likelihood that we will continue to have them close by, at least for now, to lend support and friendship. And, most of all, the knowledge that what they brought to us in terms of talent, enthusiasm and the pure enjoyment of camaraderie, will be ongoing—for what we hope will be many years to come.

Best wishes, guys. And thank you!



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Compassion for others overrides fear

By Joyce Coronel | Commentary

was driving home from the Wrangler News office on a warm spring afternoon not too long ago when I saw him. His name, I found out later, is Chris.

You've probably seen Chris or those in similar straits, haggard and sunburned, standing at the freeway entrances with their cardboard signs, pleading for a little compassion.

Most of the time, I look away. I'm usually on the wrong side of the street or in a hurry or just focused on my own concerns.

Sometimes though, I pause. I think of Judi Messer, a woman I interviewed years ago.

When I look back over aging, yellowed copies of the publications I've written for over the years, at times

I don't have any recollection of having written a particular article. But Judi? She was different. Her story affected me deeply and continues to reverberate today.

Judi is a registered nurse who once worked in a hospital's cardiac critical care unit. The high-stress job led her to reconsider her path. Eventually, she switched to an organization working with the homeless. Years later, when most people would have retired, she's still helping the poor through volunteer work.

Judi's mini-SUV is packed with bottles of water and sports drinks as well as what she calls "Hands of Hope" bags that are filled with things like clean socks, lip balm and nail clippers—items she knows homeless people need and don't usually have. The Hands of Hope project she started some years ago is still growing far beyond the Valley.

On the day of my early departure from Wrangler, I didn't have any of the Hands of Hope bags on me but my heart was moved to reach out to Chris, the young man standing on the corner of the 101 and Ray. The light was red, so I rolled down my window and called out to him. He hustled over. "Are you hungry?" I asked him, looking into his gaunt face. When he nodded, I told him I would come back with some food. Just then, the motorist in the vehicle behind me started to honk. "I'll be back soon," I told the man before I drove off.

At the next light, the motorist who I figured was in a big hurry pulled up beside my vehicle and rolled down her window. I thought to myself, "You've got to be kidding!"

"Yes?" I inquired as she and I locked eyes. She was an attractive, 30-something blonde with blue eyes that held concern.

"I'm worried about you," she said. "That man back there—you're a young woman alone—you're vulnerable. That's dangerous, what you just did."

"If I die helping someone like that, I'll be going to straight to heaven," I told her.

"I believe in heaven, too, but I'm an officer. We just had a car-jacking a couple of days

ago."

"Well, thanks for caring about me and for calling me young," I said with a smile. The light turned green and we both drove away. I'll admit her warning gave

me pause. I'll definitely take her words into consideration and I'll be sure to keep my car doors locked from now on. I would never approach someone like Chris on a deserted street in the dark or walk into a crack house to pass a tray of cookies. I'm not stupid. But I'm also not going to stop reaching out to assist people my heart tells me are in need of a little compassion.

I called Judi a few days later and asked if people ever tell her that interacting with the homeless is too dangerous. "All the time," she laughed. Then, more seriously, she added: "But it's what God has called me to do."

Like Judi, I take my faith seriously and it tells me to feed the hungry. Writing a check to support organizations like Tempe Community Action Agency or St. Vincent de Paul is a wonderful way to assist the poor. But the more difficult gift is the gift of self, taking the time to look someone in the eye and show them they are not alone in this world. Chris and those in similar situations are our brothers and sisters.

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Joyce

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"Calculation never made a hero." I'm definitely no hero, but I would agree that people like Judi Messer and the late Mother Teresa of Calcutta don't count the cost of their efforts. They wouldn't ask Chris for ID or drive past him. They remind the rest of us that life isn't about what you get—it's about what you give.

Yes, please do be careful out there. But never let fear stop you from reaching out and bringing more light and love into our community, one person at a time.

Marcos students win 1st, 2nd place in bus-wrap contest



CeLyn Evens, a senior at Marcos de Niza, with her artwork — Photo courtesy Tempe Union High School District

Two Marcos de Niza High School students took top honors in the 19th annual Valley Metro Design A Transit Wrap Art competition.

CeLyn Evens, a senior, placed first and received a \$500 cash prize. Her design will also be featured on a Valley Metro bus and light rail train car for a year. Maggie Schira took second place, with a \$250 cash prize.

"The arts are near and dear to my heart," said Tempe City Councilman Joel Navarro, a former Marcos Padre himself. "I can't be more impressed with what we're doing here."

According to Valley Metro, 70 million people ride public transportation in the greater Phoenix area in one year. Of those, 30 percent are students.

"I'm so happy about this artwork," said Valley Metro Transit System CEO Scott Smith.

"Thousands of people—that's millions in a year will get to see your artwork."

The bus with CeLyn's design will travel around the East Valley and in parts of Phoenix beginning this month. She says she plans to continue her education in graphic design.

This is the second grand prize winner of the contest in the past 3 years from the Marcos de Niza Art Department, led by Reagan Guzman.

Wheat

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according to Great Harvest Bread Company, the students may have just enough for a small loaf.

The Walston family from the long-familiar bakery agreed to aid the Special Ed staff in showing the students the process of making bread, from stalk to sandwich.

Despite this fun outcome from the garden at Tempe High, the food production serves more than one purpose.

"For the students I teach, this whole area became their kind of safe space around campus," said Jennifer Laurence, the school's special ed instructor.

"Nobody else is allowed in this area, so if they're having a rough day or they need a place to talk and think things over, they can come out here and they know that they can sit by themselves or find the right person."

The patio sits in the heart of the school's campus, and remains closed to any students who are not in the Special Education program unless given prior permission.

According to staff, the garden provides an opportunity for the students to not only recuperate from their day-to-day lives, but also serves as a fun learning tool throughout each season.

"We've been able to use a little bit of science in it, too," noted Michael Warner, a robotics team faculty adviser who also assists the special ed staff.

In one case, he recalls, he inadvertently used pea plants from separate garden beds to teach the students about the effects of soil fertility and how certain plants may grow differently depending on what was planted before.

The result: a disappointingly modest yield of wheat.

Thanks to the lessons class members have gained through their garden experience, as well as the knowledge and devotion of the special ed staff, it seems likely that education in one form or another likely is being sown in each student at Tempe High School, no matter their circumstance.



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More people moved to Maricopa County than any other county in the nation last year, according to U.S. Census Bureau population estimates released Thursday.

This is the third year in a row that the county led in growth.

Maricopa County added 81,244 people between July 2017 and July 2018. That's up from 74,000 people during that same time period the year before.

Maricopa County's growth helped it maintain its rank as the fourth most populous county in the country with 4,410,824 residents.

Clark County in Nevada was second in growth, adding 48,337 people. All of the top-10, largest-gaining counties were in the West or South. That puts the metropolitan area at a population of 4,857,962. The metro area includes part of Pinal County, which is why the population is larger than the county's.

The only metropolitan area that added more people last year was the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington metropolitan area in Texas, which added 131,767 people.

Although Maricopa County led in numeric growth, it didn't even crack the top 10 in population percentage growth. Williams County in North Dakota led in percentage growth, followed by Comal and Kaufman counties in Texas.

Additionally, longtime Lucas Real Estate principal Randy Goff has rebranded his former Four Peaks Mortgage firm to take on a more local focus, transforming it to a size that he says better enables attractive rates and exceptional service.

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Tempe Chamber unveils loans to ease business access as streetcar system is installed

A new program in Tempe provides low-interest loan opportunities to businesses along the streetcar route so they can have access to funds during construction.

Through a unique partnership between the city of Tempe, OneAZ Credit Union, Tempe Chamber of Commerce and Service Corps of Retired Executives, a qualified business can get a line of credit for up to \$20,000 at an interest rate of Prime plus 2 percent.

"The Asset Assistance Program is crucial to filling shortterm gaps in the financial situation of businesses impacted by the streetcar construction," said Anne Gill, Tempe Chamber of Commerce president/CEO.

Sukki Jahnke, the chamber's director of marketing, said businesses can use the funds for operating expenses or to make capital improvements. To qualify, a business must be located next to the streetcar route, be independently owned and operated (meaning three or fewer locations under the same ownership) and agree to the credit-line terms. Initial lines of credit are available until Tempe Streetcar begins operating in 2021.

OneAZ Credit Union is administering the loans and providing the low interest rate; SCORE and the Tempe Chamber provide technical and marketing assistance, and the city is putting up to \$250,000 on the table to offset any outstanding principal balances.

"Once it's built, Tempe Streetcar will carry thousands of existing and new customers to businesses along the route," said Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell. "We know the construction process can be painful, and we want to help our businesses stay healthy and strong through that process.'

For information about the Asset Assistance Program, businesses can contact the Tempe Chamber at 480-967-7891 or info@tempechamber.org.







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A season to be proud of . . .

There was no question the game could have turned out better for Corona's Aztec varsity baseball team. But all went home with a consoling state of mind: Despite the state championship loss to Hamilton, the season, at 24-10, was nonetheless justifiably memorable. *See story on facing page.*

— Photos by Billy Hardiman for Wrangler News











with Alex Zener

LONG WAIT, QUICK FINALE FOR AZTECS Disappointing outcome but a great season

orona's baseball team played in the state baseball championship finals at Tempe Diablo Stadium on May 14 for the first time in 10 years, but this time with very different results.

In 2009, the Aztecs defeated Hamilton, 11-1, in a game called in the sixth inning, based on the AIA 10-run rule, to win the 5A Division I State Championship.

This year, Corona lost to Hamilton, 8-1, in the 6A State Baseball Championship finals—a game that was, in essence, all but over in the first inning when the Huskies scored six runs in two-thirds of an inning, the last three on a Hamilton home run.

Hamilton still had two outs remaining.

Corona was able to put out two batters and end the inning without the Huskies scoring more runs when Coach Dave Webb brought in Jack Schobinger to pitch.

Junior Kaiden Frees caught a fly ball for the third out and finally close out the first inning for the Aztecs.

Corona only allowed Hamilton to score two more runs the rest of the game but, other than the top of the first inning when Frees got an RBI, Corona's batters could not catch a break.

Most innings it was one, two, three and out. Most outs were pop-up fly balls with no chance of success.

The Aztecs, who entered the 2019 playoffs as the No. 4 seed, finished the season 24-10, and should be proud of how they played all season.

It was the seventh state championship for Hamilton, three in the last four years.

Aztec Lacrosse

Corona's lacrosse team could have had one of the biggest come-frombehind victories in Arizona high school lacrosse history on May 3 during the Division 2 championships but fell short losing by just one point, 13-12, to Desert Mountain in the title game.

Corona, who had beaten the Desert Mountain Wolves early in the season

by just one point, 11-10, was the No. 1 seed most of the season but a late season one-point loss to Desert Vista II, 8-9, gave them two losses and moved the Aztecs into the No. 2 spot.

The championship game, held at Grand Canyon University, pitted the No. 1 seed, Desert Mountain, against the No. 2 seed, Corona, in a game where championship experience may have helped the Wolves go up 4-0 in the first quarter before the Aztecs could even score a point.

Desert Mountain played in the championship game last season against Oro Valley where they ended up losing but just one point, 8-7.

The Aztecs dominated the faceoffs most of the game especially when Jack Wachtel, who leads the team in faceoffs won with 123 on the season or Alex McQueen, who is second on the team in face-offs won with 44.

In the first quarter, the Aztecs had a hard time controlling the ball. Corona would win the face-off, gain initial control of the ball, and then have it stolen by a Desert Mountain player.

Corona's defense was almost non-existent with the Wolves almost scoring at will.

The Aztecs finally got some momentum when they scored their first goal just before the end of the first quarter. Jack Wachtel passed the ball to Zach Turpen who shot it passed Desert Mountain's goalkeeper's stick for Corona's first goal.

Turpen, who has 22 goals this season, scored his second goal with 30 seconds left in the first half to cut the lead to five at 2-7.

The second half started about the same as the first, with Desert Mountain scoring first to go up 2-8 before Corona started to play more aggressively on both offense and defense.

The Aztecs quickly scored two goals, one by Dylan Westrack and another by Turpen with assists by Maguire Dinnan, making the score 4-8 with 4:03 left in the third quarter.

Westrack has 23 goals and seven

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Corona's lacrosse team lost in Division II state championship match 12-13 to Desert Mountain on May 3 after being down 2-7 at the halftime. Team includes, starting at bottom row, from left: Jacob Kelly, Coach Mike Pascuzzi, Coach Bob Holland, Coach Chuey Mares, Coach Kevin Consour, Seth Eaton, Will Matsler. Second row: Justin Sichmeller, Jackson Davis, Jack O'Connell, Justin Ellis, Joseph Arleo, Wyatt Chepelsky, Markus Hutcheson, Josh Allen. Third row: James Fisher, Dylan Westrack, Maguire Dinnan, Lucas Rable, Tyler Felber, Andrew Brethour, Ryan Neal. Top row: Isaac Smith, Alec McQueen (captain), Hayden Cling, Luke Schotterback, Zach Turpen (captain), Jack Wachtel (captain), Connor Fee, Randall Lundine. Not pictured: Bennett Matsler, Aiden Price, Ian Stark, Brendan Lyons, Grant Vance.

Sports

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assists this season while Dinnan leads the team in assists with 47 over the season. Dinnan also leads the team in points with 71.

Desert Mountain scored two more goals before Dinnan scored the Aztecs fifth goal with 1:09 left in the third quarter but the Wolves were still up by five at 5-10.

That's when Corona came alive, scoring four unanswered goals in a matter of three minutes.

William Matsler, who has 13 goals over the season, scored goal number six with an assist from Dinnan while Lucas Rable, the leading goal scorer on the team with 42 goals, finally got going and scored the seventh goal with an assist from Turpen, his third of the game.

Rable is the most prolific shooter on Corona's team, with 100 shots on goal over the season averaging 3.23 goals a game.

Goal number eight was Matsler's second goal of the game with an assist from Dinnan.

With the score 8-11, Rable scored his second goal

with an assist from Dinnan. Rable scored two out of the last three goals and Dinnan has four assists so far at that point in the game.

With a little over eight minutes to go in the fourth quarter, Desert Mountain had not scored since the third quarter and Corona had gone on a 7-2 run.

Westrack made it an 8-2 run when he scored with Dinnan's fifth assist to make the score 10-11 with 5:44 left in the game.

It took Corona 30 seconds to score their next goal and tie the score at 11-11 when Dinnan scored his second goal and Turpen had his second assist with 5:15 left in the fourth quarter.

It was at this point that the experience the Desert Mountain players gained by playing in the finals last season paid off.

The Wolves seemed to settle down. The starting holding the ball forcing the Aztec players to come away from the goal to try and get the ball back.

This strategy worked. It slowed down Corona's momentum and gave Desert Mountain time to set up their offense to make good shots at the Aztec goal.

Desert Mountain scored two more goals or 13 goals in all before Turpen scored his fourth goal of the game to make the final score 12-13.

Tyler Felber was fantastic as the goalkeeper all

season, playing in all 13 matches and taking 169 shots at goal, saving 93 or 55% while only allowing 76 goals.

Several players contributed to Corona's winning season playing in at least nine of Corona's 13 games, including Luke Schlotterback who won 35 ground balls, Justin Sichmeller with 34 ground balls, Andrew Brethour with 30 ground balls, Cling Hayden with 31 ground balls, Seth Eaton with 12 shots on goal scoring four goals, Justin Ellis with five ground balls, James Fisher who played in 11 of the 13 matches, Jacob Kelly with 22 shots on goal scoring 11 goals, winning nine face-offs and 16 ground balls, and Ryan Neal who played in 11 games winning five ground balls.

Joshua Allen and Jack Connell O'Connell both played minutes at goal in three games with Allen saving six out of eight shots at goal and O'Connell saving five out of six shots.

Corona has a large group of underclassmen to fill in for any graduating seniors and should be in a good position to take advantage of the experience gained playing in this season's championship game next year.



On Pokemon, our film guy is admittedly incoherent



By M.V. Moorhead

A lmost 20 years ago it fell to me to review, for another publication, one of the animated Pokemon movies. It was an alienating experience, sitting there, watching the incomprehensible action on the screen, all the while aware that it was perfectly comprehensible to the kids around me in the theatre.

Now I've seen the franchise's first live-action feature film, *Pokemon: Detective Pikachu*, and I'm only slightly less perplexed.

For the uninitiated, a Pokemon the term derives from "Pocket Monster"—is any of a large assortment of strange creatures, variously fuzzy or downy or scaly, featured in Japanese video games and trading cards and toys and TV cartoons and so on.

Some of them fly, some swim, others are quadrupedal, with what look like giant cloves of garlic growing out of their backs.

Certainly the most famous is Pikachu, a furry yellow sort-of-cat with red cheeks and a tail that resembles a bolt of electricity. He's the star of this new film, a mystery set in an alternate reality in which humans and Pokemon co-exist.

The story starts with Tim (Justice Smith), a human kid, traveling to "Ryme City" after hearing of the death of his estranged police detective father. He soon meets his father's companion Pikachu, here rendered in CGI and voiced by Ryan Reynolds.

In grand film noir tradition, Pikachu's an amnesiac. The two of them team up with obligatory plucky young reporter Kathryn Newton to probe a convoluted intrigue involving the escape of a powerful dragon/ kangaroo/dinosaur-like Pokemon called "Mewtwo" from a research facility.

That's about as coherently as I can summarize the plot. Besides, if you're a Pokemon buff you don't need me to summarize it for you, and if you're not, you need it even less.

All I can say is that it's an impeccably well-made movie in the modern style, briskly edited and scored, with the CGI seamlessly intermingled with the live-action cast and settings. The nattering of Reynolds is amusing at times, the human leads are likable, and such veteran character actors as Bill Nighy and Ken Watanabe turn up in supporting parts. And any movie that gets Bill Nighy a paycheck can't be all bad.

Speaking of film noir: The weekend of May 9-12 marked the 20th annual Arthur Lyons Film Noir Festival just west of us in Palm Springs, Calif. Not for the first time, the festival's schedule included some films that require a pretty broad definition of "noir," like the movie adaptation of Arthur Miller's *All My Sons* or the Elvis vehicle *King Creole*. But they're interesting flicks, and "noir" is a flexible genre.

Along with 1946's *Somewhere in the Night*, which, like *Pokemon: Detective Pikachu*, features a hero with amnesia, the weekend offered rare showings of a couple of obscure gems, both in beautiful new 35-millimeter prints (hopefully they'll both show up soon on TCM).

1956's *The Scarlet Hour* starred sultry Carol Ohmart, cheating on her abusive husband James Gregory with sap Tom Tryon; it also featured early scene-stealing by the young Elaine Stritch.

Richard Fleischer's *Trapped* (1949) starred just-as-sultry Barbara Payton, in the clinch with Lloyd Bridges as an escaped counterfeiter.

Bridges is a brute here, but fabulously dapper; when we first see him he's brought into the warden's office at the federal penitentiary, but he looks like he's dressed for lunch at the Brown Derby.

He keeps getting into fights throughout the film, and I wanted him to knock it off, because I hated to see his outfits get messed up.

EXPERIENCE



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Plus, a look at coming events

Tempe Center for the Arts is venturing into a new, collaborative approach to subscription ticket sales this season. Aimed at developing a true partnership with local presenters, the Mix & Match program saves patrons 25 percent on tickets and provides the flexibility to choose from TCA's 19-20 Season and Resident Artist offerings.

"We are grateful for the relationships we have with our resident companies and the support of the arts community. Collectively, our goal is to create equity by providing diverse, inclusive and accessible art to the Tempe community," said Ralph Remington, TCA's producing artistic director and deputy director for Tempe arts & culture.

Details about the new Mix & Match program and new subscriber benefits, along with list of shows, are available at tempecenterforthearts.com/MixandMatch.

Subscriptions and single tickets are on sale now through the TCA Box Office, online at tempecenterforthearts.com or by calling 480-350-2822.

TCA's own 2019-20 TCA Presents season features critically acclaimed theatre, '90s hip-hop, Latin rock, multi-platinum recording artists, a first-ever co-presentation with ASU Gammage, a 1960s drama that takes a sharp knife to American racism, and the return of Disrupt FEST, an eclectic mashup of performance art.

The full schedule is available at tempecenterforthearts. com/19-20season.

Resident Artist groups participating in the Mix & Match program include Arizona Wind Symphony; Bridge Initiative: Women In Theatre; CONDER/dance; Hayden's Ferry Chamber Music Series; Lakeshore Music; Scottsdale Musical Theatre Company; Stray Cat Theatre; Tempe Comedy; and Tempe Winds.

Here is a partial listing of what's coming:

TCA Presents: Dutchman, by LeRoi Jones/Amiri Baraka. Oct. 4-19; \$25-\$38. Dutchman is a 1960s drama about a white woman and a young black man on a New York subway train who match wits in a sexualized game of cat and mouse that leads them headlong into a violent conclusion. The searing confrontation amplifies the dimensions of racial conflict in America.

Blue Note 80th Anniversary Celebration: The State of Jazz 2019, Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m., \$17-\$44.

Blue Note Records, considered the world's mostrespected and longest-running jazz label, brings its 80th Anniversary Celebration Tour: The State of Jazz 2019 tour to TCA. Featuring three of the hottest modern jazz artists today—vocalist Kandace Springs, Pianist James Francies and Saxophonist James Carter and his Organ Trio—the show is a celebration of the "Current State of Jazz."

Flight – An Immersive Theatre Installation, based on the novel Hinterland by Caroline Brothers and adapted by Oliver Emanuel, co-presented with ASU Gammage, Jan. 17-Feb. 1, \$20. Two young orphaned brothers embark on a desperate odyssey to freedom and safety. With their small inheritance stitched into their clothes, they set off on an epic journey across Europe, in a heart-wrenching road story of terror, hope, imagination and survival. Mixing graphic novel with exquisite diorama, Flight draws audiences into its fragile miniature world and immerses them in a gripping story of two children lost in dangerous lands.

Tito Puente Jr. with the Rico Monaco Band, Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m., \$20-\$35. Following in his father's footsteps, passionate Latin & jazz bandleader Tito Puente Jr. has joined forces with international sensations The Rico Monaco Band to bring a high-energy concert of hits from Tito Puente, Santana, Juanes and all of the Latin rock legends.

Disrupt Fest. Live Mashup. No Boundaries. March 20-21, Tickets on sale soon. This year's annual festival highlights include '90s hip-hop & freestyle legends Coolio and Rob Base with a mashup of super-charged experiences.

Legends of Freestyle, featuring Coolio and Rob Base, March 21, 7:30 p.m., \$20-\$30. You're invited to an old school throwdown.

Watch for additional listings in future issues.

Ticket discounts

TCA offers a 25 percent discount for subscribers who purchase three or more shows. Groups of 8 plus: 15% off regular priced tickets; student tickets, \$15; seniors & military, \$5 off per ticket. To subscribe or purchase group tickets, contact the Box Office 480-350-2822. * *Prices, shows, dates, schedules, venues and artists are subject to change without notice. Fees not included.*







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Donations now being accepted for Operation Back to School Chandler



The biggest back-to-school donation drive for Chandler students is back again this year. The City's Neighborhood Resources Department is partnering with For Our City-Chandler to host Operation Back to School Chandler on Saturday, July 20. Preparations are now underway to secure sponsors, donations and volunteers.

Donation sites are now open through July 11, at various locations for residents to drop-off supplies. Shoes and underwear (any size or gender, K-12), empty backpacks and school supplies are needed. Please note, only NEW items will be accepted and distributed at this event.

Drop-off locations are:

- Environmental Education Center 4050 E. Chandler Heights Road 480-782-2890 Monday-Thursday: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Tumbleweed Recreation Center 745 E. Germann Road 480-782-2900 Monday-Friday: 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Sunset Library 4930 W. Ray Road 480-782-2800 Monday-Thursday: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday: 1-5 p.m.

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For more information, to make a donation or become a sponsor, contact Niki Tapia at niki.tapia@chandleraz.gov, or visit forourcitychandler.org/operation-back-to-school.

Community Needs Assessment



Chandler is partnering with the East Valley cities of Tempe and Mesa to conduct a community survey to better serve our

EVENTS

MAI

- 20 City Council Study Session, Council Chambers, 782-2180
- 23 City Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 782-2180
- 27 Memorial Day holiday, City offices closed

JUNE

1 Summer Reading Challenge begins, 782-2800

residents and identify what you consider to be the top needs of residents in a variety of topics including transportation, housing, employment, mental health and more.

The survey takes about six minutes to complete online at chandleraz.gov/NeedsAssessment. Comments will be kept confidential. The survey will be available online until Friday, May 31.

- 1 One World Many Voices: Sons and Fathers with Joel, Roman and Tahj Orona, Hamilton Library, 782-2800
- Science Matters @ CPL: "Exploring the Moon Today," Downtown Library, 782-2800
- 5 Family Night at the TRC Fairytale Fun Unicorns & Mermaids, Tumbleweed Recreation Center, 782-2900
- 6 Chandler-Tullamore Sister Cities Fundraiser, Floridino's, 782-4358
- 10 City Council Study Session, Council Chambers, 782-2180
- 13 City Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 782-2180

Mayor Kevin Hartke & City Council

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Chandler Aquatics and Chandler Fire have teamed up to launch the Water You Going To Do About It?, water safety campaign. During the month of May, residents will receive water safety tips and the tools they need to be proactive in preventing drowning. They've created a one-stop shop with resources from CPR and swim classes to educational games and more. You also will see a public service announcements to further reinforce the safety message.

Remember, always watch kids around water. For more information, resources and water safety tips, visit chandleraz.gov/wateryoudoing.

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- 15 One World Many Voices: Our People of the South with Xavier Quijas Yxayotl, Sunset Library, 782-2800
- 19 Family Night at the TRC Splash-tastic Summer, Tumbleweed Recreation Center, 782-2900
- 24 City Council Study Session, Council Chambers, 782-2180
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Briefly

Voodoo Daddy's Cajun kitchen opens

Lovers of the Cajun experience can taste fresh, authentic cuisine at the new VooDoo Daddy's Steam Kitchen, now open in the Costco Plaza Center in Tempe.

On May 16, opening day, a portion of the proceeds was earmarked for the Tempe Diablos, a longtime civic organization which last year donated \$900,000 to Tempe-area charities.

"We are excited about our location and have really put a lot of work into this menu," said Voodoo Daddy's owner and founder Ron Lynch. "If there's one thing to know about Cajun food it's that the dishes have to be just right.

Lynch is no stranger to the restaurant scene. In 2005 he acquired the intellectual rights to the Tilted Kilt concept and began to develop restaurants. In early 2006 there was just one location outside of Vegas, which Lynch never owned.

At its peak, before Lynch left, Tilted Kilt had more than 100 restaurants throughout the U.S. and Canada.

"The recipe for a great restaurant is incredible food and drinks, a perfect location and rich atmosphere," said Lynch. "VooDoo Daddy's has all of that and more. We couldn't be more excited for this launch."

Watch for our Discerning Diner's full, updated review and photos of VooDoo Daddy's in our next (June 8) issue.

National recognition for Tempe officer

A detective with the Tempe Police Department has received national recognition for her work overseeing the city's more than 150 sex offenders.

Det. Kelli Scott was recognized for managing the citv's sex offender registry using the software tool OffenderWatch. Lt. Col. Tim Chung of the Arizona Dept. of Public Safety and Tempe Police Chief Sylvia Moir presented Scott with the award.

The police department is responsible for managing, tracking and verifying registered sex offenders, and for notifying the public of registered sex offenders.

Revisit Mill Avenue of yore at exhibit

Saloons of the 1890s equipped with horse parking, gila monster fights and parades that embraced diversity long before Tempe was a city or Arizona a state: These stories and many more are now on display at Tempe History Museum's new feature exhibit, Walking Mill Avenue.

The downtown that has grown up along the bustling roadway has always been a place of change, reinvention and even contention.

Yet, say city observers, it remains the heart of a community-in many ways the epicenter of Tempe, its history, people and places.

These and other chapters in the Mill Avenue anthology weave together in complex layers that show where Tempe has been and where it might be headed.

Tempe History Museum is at 809 E. Southern Ave. The exhibit runs through early next year. Admission is free.



A native Arizonan who has used her leadership acumen to aim Kyrene de la Mirada school students toward excellence for the last nine years is one of two Kyrene principals to be honored for their achievements.

Mirada Principal Nancy Branch, along with Dr. Ana Gomez del Castillo of Lagos Dual Language Academy in Ahwatukee, received Exemplary Principal awards from Maricopa County School Superindendent Steve Watson.

The annual award goes to school leaders who set high expectations and create an environment for exceptional student learning, build community by actively engaging staff and community, use data to guide instruction, have a history of high teacher retention and demonstrate ability to inspire others.



Under Branch's guidance as principal. Mirada was

named a Franklin Covey "Leader in Me Lighthouse School" for outstanding work implementing leadership practices on campus. Branch earned her undergraduate degree in Elementary Education from Northern Arizona University and her M.A. in Supervision and Administration from the University of Phoenix.

She has spent 26 of her 28 years in education in the Kyrene School District.

Update from Washington set May 29

Senator Martha McSally, Congressman Greg Stanton and Congressman Andy Biggs will be featured by the Chandler Chamber of Commerce in an Update from Washington program Wednesday, May 29, at Chandler-Gilbert Community College Performing Arts Center.

Sponsored by SRP and presented in partnership with the Ahwatukee Foothills Chamber of Commerce, the engagement will focus on issues affecting Arizona. It will be moderated by Jason Bagley, director of state government relations for Intel.

Information and registration: bit.ly/2vN3qMP. Seating is limited.



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Feedback

The story we published in our May 4 edition regarding possible commercial development of the northwest corner of Rural and Warner roads drew several comments on our Facebook page.

Opinions covered the spectrum:

• Please do something with this lot! Keeping it a giant dust bowl does absolutely no good for the community. Having more things like this in the area will only raise the value of our homes and provide us with more things to do in the community. Look at how much the home values in Arcadia went up after a couple restaurant concerts opened up and the same can be said for Gilbert and downtown Chandler. We're in need of more things like this!!

Brett Miller

• More community-oriented, smallscale retail like this is a good thing for this (my) neighborhood. If the rumors of the potential restaurant are true, it's a higherend, local brand that most people in the area I know would be excited to patronize.

- Justin Lee

• We need the building on the NE corner of Rural/Elliot occupied as well!

- K.J. Llardo

• Everyone involved seems in it for the money. Even . . . and his opinion. Hoping I can make it to this. This needs to remain as is...a vacant lot. Money hungry, no care folks involved in this project need to take a hike and never come back.

Joe Pasco

•The entire community needs this lot cleaned up. Make it a park/dog park! Paula Sorenson

Flight Plan Comments If you wish to comment on the FAA's studies regarding flight-path noise over Tempe and Chandler, you can

email comments before May 23 to https://www. faa.gov/nextgen/nextgen near you/community involvement/phx Or mail comments to: Phoenix Step Two Federal Aviation Administration **Operations Support Group** 2200 South 216th Street Des Moines, WA 98198

NEXT ISSUE SCHEDULING

PLEASE NOTE that our next issue of Wrangler News will go to print on Tuesday, June 4. This is one of the two times during the year that we build an extra week into our schedule, so remember that we will need your article and photo ideas no later than Friday, May 24. Requests to save unscheduled advertising space should reach us by Thursday, May 23, especially if our in-house design department will be preparing your artwork.

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4 bedroom, 3 bath Plank tile floors in the formal living/dining area & neutral tile Island kitchen, tons of cabinets, quartz counters, pantry and dry bar. Gas fireplace, private backyard oasis with heated pebble-tec pool & spa. Gated community

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Lovely 3 bed 2 bath, Neutral Decor, Granite Kitchen w/ tile backsplash, breakfast bar, Formal Living - Dining, Beautiful Master with Spacious Walk-in Closet. Expansive back yard Remodeled 2014 with all new plumbing, Roof, HVAC and Dual Pane Low E Windows. Mid \$300's



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