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## During crisis, when seconds count **Lifesaving training coming to schools**

By Joyce Coronel

“It just takes seconds. Those precious moments add up, and the bystander response is so important to help us save a patient.”

That’s how Elizabeth Waack,

the director of emergency services at St. Luke’s Medical Center in Phoenix, sums up lifesaving training designed to help those caught up in emergency situations such as the recent school shooting in Parkland, Florida.

Waack will be instructing

eight Tempe Union High School District nurses as well as some of the district’s teachers April 18 at Tempe High School.

Though most school nurses deal with common ailments

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Amidst cuddles and emotional goodbyes, teens from the Tempe Union High School District gathered to bid farewell to the pooches they’d spent the last 14 months raising to be guide dogs for the blind. Many of the dogs attended school and other activities with their trainers over the last year. Four new puppies, including the one above, began their 14-month journey with trainers. **MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 12.**

— Billy Hardiman for Wrangler News

## The art of culturizing a city: Tempe paints with a broad brush

By Diana Whittle

Tempe is known as a city where the arts are appreciated. From its Performing Arts Center to its bi-annual arts street festival to the permanent art on display in Tempe neighborhoods, residents have come to expect cultural options that appeal to a kaleidoscope of tastes.

It was out of this love affair with the arts that a special program was born.

Art in the Park is a simple concept envisioned by the city of Tempe to bring festivities to a public gathering place, in an accessible setting—like the program’s namesake, a park—so people of all ages and backgrounds can find enjoyment.

Neighborhoods and the city work together to build events that bring neighbors together through arts and cultural activities that reflect the identity and values of their own neighborhoods.

In 2017, Tempe began a pilot program to bring more arts to neighborhood parks. In this initial venture, two neighborhoods were selected to work with the city, including those near Estrada and Mitchell parks.

Planners in both areas chose to host day-long, family-friendly festivals with musical performances, live painting and other arts-related

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Commentary

# It's time for the Arizona Legislature to hear our voices

By Don Kirkland

Regarding the now familiar—overworked, you might say—refrain that Joyce and I don't have enough hours in the day to do all the things a "real newspaper" should, I'll risk using the same excuse once again.

This time, as previously, I'll do it with a selfish motive: to muster some support among our readers to at least consider emailing or calling our state



legislators—does anybody call anymore?—to find out what the heck they're doing on a couple of fronts that affect those of us who live in and love Tempe.

One of these involves an issue we raised in a report several weeks ago that described the frustration of many in the Estate La Colina neighborhood over the arrival of an Airbnb-

type of business, an enterprise which we learned has few, if any, regulations to deal with what some may consider a newly popularized get-rich-quick scheme, depending on whether your HOA's CC&Rs contain a prohibition against that sort of thing.

The ability to control this rapidly growing

industry lies out of reach of local city councils because it is regulated—or in this case, not—by our state legislature. After we published our report, we heard from a number of Tempe residents who have seen the mostly uncontrolled inroads of this one-night-stand type of lodging, whose entrepreneurial property owners know they can generate a monthly income that far exceeds what they might expect from a traditional long-term rental.

So, on this matter, and the potential it has for disrupting the quietude of our neighborhoods, we suggest that a combined community-wide outcry might—just might—influence our legislators to take it seriously.

**The other worrisome matter** that's currently facing our city seems like it should have been put to rest when Tempe voters adopted an ordinance requiring that non-profits which contribute more than \$1,000 to sway the outcome of an election have to tell us who supplied their money.

Or, as we now know it, "dark money."

Recently, in the aftermath of what's been calculated as a vote by 90 percent of Tempe residents to pass a transparency-of-funding measure, along comes the state legislature to walk all over the wishes of the people who supported that measure.

This our state legislature has done by passing House Bill 2153, which essentially negates the wishes of all who fought against allowing big donors to political campaigns to remain anonymous.

The measure awaits Gov. Ducey's signature, and it will be interesting to see what course of action he elects.

As in the Airbnb-type of problem, we believe our readers might want their views to be heard by those making decisions that affect our community, our neighborhoods, our lives.

And, of course, by Joyce and I, who'd also like to know how you feel about any of the issues we hear about—and do our best to write about—on those occasions when a few welcome, extra minutes in our day take even us by surprise.

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Few knew their beloved principal would be among 'best of the best.' Including her.

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Story & photos  
by Joyce Coronel



Kyrene Traditional Academy Principal Marianne Lescher, above, left, was honored by an award as a Maricopa County Exemplary Principal. Nancy Knight, right, a first grade teacher at the school and a big fan of Lescher, celebrated the moment with younger students after the surprise award assembly. Below, Maricopa County School Superintendent Steve Watson presents the award to Lescher.

Hundreds of students clad in bright red school spirit T-shirts packed into the cafeteria at Kyrene Traditional Academy awaiting the moment when their school principal, Dr. Marianne Lescher, would stroll through the door.

She had no idea the entire student body was assembled, tingling with excitement over a big announcement about to be made by Maricopa County School Superintendent Steve Watson.

Lescher was selected from among nearly 1,000 principals throughout the county to be named a 2018 Maricopa County Exemplary Principal.

"My team and I were looking for the best of the best when it comes to principals who lead our schools," Watson told the students. "Guess what?"

"What?" the students shouted in unison.

"We found one of the best of the best of the best of the best."

The cafeteria erupted in wild applause, as cheers and chants of "Dr. Lescher! Dr. Lescher!" rang out. Kyrene School Superintendent Jan Vesely stood by beaming, joining in the applause.

Watson read from comments his office received from teachers, fellow administrators and parents about Lescher's leadership style.

"She supports teachers and acknowledges the hard work and efforts that each staff member makes," Watson read. "She is by far the best administrator I've had the pleasure of working with."

Then Watson zeroed in on what he said was his most favorite comment of all:

"She is an absolute rock star. She makes me feel respected and valued every day—working for her is a dream come true."

After most of the students had been ushered back to class—a few of the younger ones were still waiting to have their picture taken with Lescher—Vesely spoke with Wrangler News about the award.

"She has been an administrator in the Kyrene school district for so many years and no matter where she is, she leaves such a positive impact on her



students," Vesely said. Kyrene Traditional Academy is currently a kindergarten-to-grade-five school, but "because of Dr. Lescher's leadership, because of the demand for students to attend her school, KTA is now going to become a K through 8 school." Enrollment had more than doubled and continues to grow.

Deborah Miranda teaches fifth grade at KTA. "She's an awesome administrator," Miranda said of Lescher. "I was at Mariposa with her and I followed her here. She's an amazing leader—she's someone you very easily want to follow."

Lescher's husband, Fred, said he was in on the surprise for the last couple of weeks. "This morning she was going to wear her spirit gear so I had to tell her we were going to JC Penny tonight to get a formal portrait," he chuckled, recalling the ruse.

"I'm just so proud of her," Fred added. "She worked so hard and she's got a great staff, great parents, great students and it all contributes to what she loves to do every day which is get up in the morning and just be with the kids and help them be better citizens, better scholars and better friends."

# Kids raising money for their war-weary counterparts discover worlds of difference

By Diana Whittle

**H**alf a world away, young students living in war-torn and poverty-stricken locations—such as Afghanistan, Pakistan and Tajikistan—make their best efforts each day to gain an education in makeshift schoolrooms, while working with few educational supplies.

At the same time, students at Kyrene Middle School in South Tempe attend classes in clean, modern facilities and are able to concentrate on learning.

Though the Tempe-based students have fewer physical challenges to education, as their school seeks to be accredited as an International Baccalaureate program, they also must participate in a learning activity that implements critical thinking and collaborative skills, so KMS teachers adopted a national charity known as “Pennies for Peace.”

Each month, KMS has an IB Projects Day in which students

participate in the service learning activity.

“Through these opportunities students learn to become philanthropists and activists, key attributes that make up an IB learner,” explained Kathie Cigich, the KMS IB coordinator, who along with Janis Bardon, IB capstone teacher, works with staff and students to identify projects that are aligned to this mission.

“Specifically, Pennies for Peace is a program that addresses these goals by providing students with the opportunity to become knowledgeable about the countries affected by their local community’s generosity,” said Cigich.

This semester, through April 25, approximately 600 seventh and eighth-grade KMS students are gathering Pennies for Peace as a semester-long service learning activity along with studying the cultures of Central Asia.

Students also learn to be empathetic, have compassion and

respect for those who are less fortunate, and become open-minded, by appreciating the culture of the foreign countries.

The lessons in the curriculum cover themes such as the power of education, the effects of extreme poverty, culture, geography, politics, humanitarian efforts and global citizen responsibilities.

“Through Pennies for Peace, our students also will gain an understanding of how important education is around the world. They will become aware of the desperate need for school buildings and resources in war-torn countries.

“Overall, they will come to see how mere pennies will support their global peers as they pursue their education,” said Deb Rosenblum, a seventh and eighth-grade language and literature teacher at KMS.

Students use their collections of pennies to help provide much needed supplies, textbooks, and possibly teacher salaries for schools in the Central Asia region, where an education provides the opportunity to break the cycle of extreme poverty, violence and war.

Although a penny has a nominal

currency value in the United State, collecting the coins here can yield big changes in Central Asia—in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Tajikistan just a few pennies can buy a pencil and open the door to literacy.

Pennies for Peace first started with a group of elementary school students in Wisconsin who wanted to help educators in Central Asia, so they gathered pennies to donate for children who might be overlooked.

“Pennies for Peace is a great way to help students who aren’t as fortunate as students in America. We will be able to pay teacher salaries, buy school supplies, and build schools in developing nations,” said Ava Bickler, a seventh-grade student.

KMS partnered with Central Asia Institute in implementing the Pennies for Peace service learning activity. It is their mission to help students in the countries of Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Tajikistan.

The money raised is intended to bring hope and possibilities to many students in these countries by providing much needed resources.

CAI created the curriculum for this learning opportunity.

Information: [www.PenniesforPeace.org](http://www.PenniesforPeace.org)

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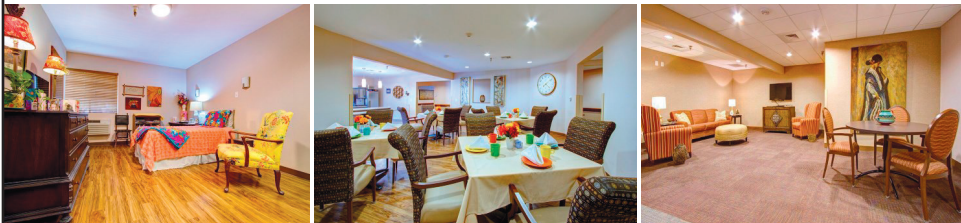
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**As teachers rally for higher pay, Arizona's tax code exempts \$13.5B from collection**

By Jim Small

*Arizona Center for Investigative Reporting*

PHOENIX — Several thousand Arizona teachers descended on the state Capitol March 28 as part of the national “Red for Ed” movement, demanding state legislators and Gov. Doug Ducey provide funding to increase pay for educators by 20 percent.

The call for such a massive pay increase comes amid a national debate about teacher pay, particularly in Republican-led states. Arizona's teacher protests are coming on the heels of teacher strikes over low pay in West Virginia, Oklahoma and Kentucky.

And even if Arizona teachers' pay were increased so dramatically, it would still lag the national average. When adjusted for costs of living, the median pay is \$42,474 for Arizona elementary teachers and \$46,070 for high school teachers, according to a 2017 Morrison Institute for Public Policy report. A 20-percent pay raise would bump those medians to \$50,969 and \$55,284, respectively.

Nationally, median elementary school teacher pay is \$55,800 and median high school teacher pay is \$58,030, adjusted for costs of living.

The odds are stacked against teachers hoping to persuade the Republican-led Legislature and Ducey to increase education funding by as much as \$750 million. Ducey has

touted increased funding for the K-12 system in recent years and pledged to do more, but has stopped short of committing to fund increased teacher pay at any level.

And last year, he and GOP lawmakers balked at a proposal by teachers to increase salaries by 2 percent a year for two years, at a cost of about \$100 million.

The primary reason given was that there simply wasn't money available.

Although it is not entirely clear how much it would cost to meet the teachers' demands, last year's attempt to boost pay doesn't bode well for this year's effort. There are roughly 60,000 public school teachers in Arizona, and the estimates for increasing their salaries by 20 percent range from \$680 million to \$750 million.

The general fund budget for fiscal year 2018-19 that is currently being designed by lawmakers and Ducey is expected to be roughly \$10.1 billion, of which approximately \$4.5 billion will go to K-12 education.

If lawmakers and Ducey were inclined to find money for teachers, one place they could go looking is in the taxes that the state doesn't collect: Arizona allowed more than \$13.5 billion in taxes to go uncollected in fiscal year 2017, thanks to a litany of exemptions, deductions, allowances, exclusions or credits. And that number is likely to grow by another \$1-to-2 billion once individual income tax deductions are tallied.

Arizona Department of Revenue data shows that more than half of all possible state taxes haven't been collected for at least the past eleven years. Called “tax expenditures,” they amount to \$137.7 billion since fiscal year 2008.

That figure is roughly equivalent to sum of state budgets spanning the past 15 years.

The majority of tax expenditures come from a variety of carve-outs to the transaction privilege tax, Arizona's version of a sales tax. In fiscal year 2017, \$12 billion was excluded from TPT collections, almost half of which was due to services being exempted.

Tax carve-outs on individual income taxes, corporate income taxes and property taxes account for almost all of the rest of the tax expenditures.



Lauren Scott, a Kyrene schools graduate, is shown here as a new teacher at a Kyrene school. — Wrangler News file photo

If Ducey or lawmakers wish to revisit existing tax expenditures, they will have to win the support of a legislative supermajority. An amendment added to Arizona's constitution by voters in 1992 requires that any change to the tax code that results in increased state revenues, including removing a carve-out or reducing the expenditure it creates, be passed with a two-thirds supermajority in each legislative chamber.

However, legislation that creates new tax expenditures or expands existing carve-outs needs only a simple majority. For instance, a Senate committee on March 21 approved, along a

party-line vote, a bill that doubles the amount of capital gains income that is exempted from the individual income tax.

The bill, HB2528, is sponsored by House Speaker JD Mesnard and will allow half of capital gains income to be tax-free. Legislative staff estimates the measure, if it becomes law, will cost the state more than \$23 million a year when it is fully implemented in 2023.

According to an analysis by The Arizona Center for Economic Progress, a liberal think tank, roughly three of every five dollars in tax cuts under HB2528 will go to about 4,100 Arizonans making more than \$500,000 a year.

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## From the Editor

# One man's display of compassion

**D**o you ever hear about tragedies and cancer patients and natural disasters and think to yourself: "For heaven's sake! I'm just one person. What am I supposed to do about all this?"

It's true that in a world of 7.5 billion souls, one person's efforts in the face of all that affliction might seem inconsequential.

But that would be overlooking the fact that every time someone acts with compassion, someone else's burden grows a bit easier to bear.

As a lifelong wordsmith, allow me to point out that my use of the word "compassion" is truly intentional.

The Latin roots for the term literally mean "to suffer with." When we open our hearts to share in the suffering of those around us, we bring a little more light into the world and we're often able to move to the next step of not just feeling someone else's pain, but actually *doing* something about it.

Ty Tabat, Western sales manager for Signature Offset, the Tempe printing company where the pages of Wrangler News roll off the presses every two weeks, is one such person. He was moved with compassion for Kayley Maro, a teenager battling a rare, life-threatening disease. He discovered Kayley's plight when he saw her Gofundme page listed on Facebook and reached out to the family.

"I asked them, 'Do you want to raise more money?'" Ty told me on a recent visit to the Wrangler News office. I dug a little deeper into his motivation because, well, we've all seen these Gofundme pages chronicling tragedy and heard about people in dire straits, but mostly, we just keep rolling. Not Ty. He stopped.

"I had a brother who was sick," he told me as he sat back in the chair pushed up against my crowded desk that day. "He was born with birth defects. He had cancer when he was 2

and we had a fundraiser for him when he was 3. That's where this comes from."

In Kayley's case, she started getting sick when she was 7. Doctors couldn't figure out what was going on at first. Then came the heart-shattering news: She was facing IGG4, a seldom-seen disease that attacks the body's organs and leads to organ failure. Kayley's insurance plan doesn't cover the treatments she is receiving every two weeks at Boston's Massachusetts General Hospital, a teaching hospital at Harvard Medical School. Then there are the mounting travel expenses. What would you do if she were your daughter?

Ty decided he'd like to do something to help, so he organized a fundraiser dinner set for April 24 at Foothills Golf Club. (Purchase tickets at [kmaro-fundraiser.eventbrite.com](http://kmaro-fundraiser.eventbrite.com).) And while I'd like nothing more than to hear that Wrangler's nearly 50,000 readers donated to Kayley's cause (imagine what would happen if each of you gave \$1!), I realize that's unlikely. Instead, my hope is that everyone who reads these words will be moved with compassion and decide, like Ty,

to do something to help alleviate the suffering of another human person they cross paths with today.

That co-worker of yours whose husband just left her? A kind word from you could bring hope. The stressed-out young mom at the grocery store? What if you paid her tab? The elderly gentleman down the street whose children never visit? Why not spend a little time listening to him, really listening? Be part of the healing process that brings people together, that builds stronger families and neighborhoods and communities. That's the power of one person's decision to reach beyond himself and make a difference in the life of another.

And when you hear about someone like Kayley, a senior in high school who dreams of college and battles a mysterious illness, maybe—just maybe—you'll be moved with compassion and decide to help.

As Mother Teresa of Calcutta, the diminutive nun with the extra-large-sized heart once said, "If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to one another."

— By Joyce Coronel

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## Fundraiser to help teen battling rare illness

See companion story on facing page.

A fundraiser for a Tempe Union High School District student battling a rare, life-threatening illness, takes place 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 24 at The Foothills Golf Club, 2201 E. Clubhouse Drive, Phoenix.

Kayley Maro, diagnosed with IGG4, a condition that leads to infections and organ failure, travels to Boston every two weeks for treatment that's not covered by insurance.

Proceeds from the event will go toward medical and travel expenses.

The event will feature an Italian buffet, live music, a photo booth, silent auction, 50/50 raffle.

Tickets are \$75. Info: kmaro-fundraiser.eventbrite.com



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The SFSI program includes on-site assessment of the district's current operations; a systems assistance grant for equipment or other school food program needs; technical assistance; and strategic planning to provide healthier school meals.

"We are thrilled to receive this much-needed grant as a means accelerate our initiatives to offer even more wholesome and healthier options for our students, said Tempe Elementary Nutrition Services Supervisor Emma Kitzman. "We are focused on reducing artificial and processed ingredients from our menu, adding salad bars to our elementary schools, and preparing bulk produce in our central kitchen facility. This experience has far exceeded our expectations and we are confident that our students will benefit greatly."

Tempe is one member of a cohort of seven districts throughout the United States working to innovate and improve their school food choices through SFSI. Cohort districts learn from their common experiences while working to eliminate artificial ingredients as they transition to cook-from-scratch school food operations.



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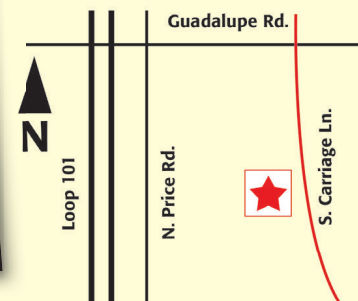
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The 18-hour Basic Community Emergency Response Team training course provides community members with hands-on and classroom instruction over two consecutive Saturdays.

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This two-day self-preparedness training will be held Saturday, April 28 and Saturday, May 5, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., both days.

The classes will be conducted at the Chandler Fire Training Center, 3550 S. Dobson Road. The training is free, but space is limited.

To register, call 480-782-2120 or email [ChandlerFire@chandleraz.gov](mailto:ChandlerFire@chandleraz.gov).

Participants will learn about the types of hazards that might affect Chandler, and examines the roles and responsibilities of various organizations within the community, such as police and fire departments, other government agencies, public utilities and non-profits.

Constructing family emergency kits for home and vehicles is also a critical part of community preparedness.

"Some of the potential hazards we Arizonans can face are strong winds, flooding, heat waves, power outages and fires, along with the possibility of man-made threats," said Chandler Battalion Chief Suzy Vargo.

"Our goal is to give residents the tools, information and coping skills they need to care for themselves and their families for up to 72 hours following a natural or man-

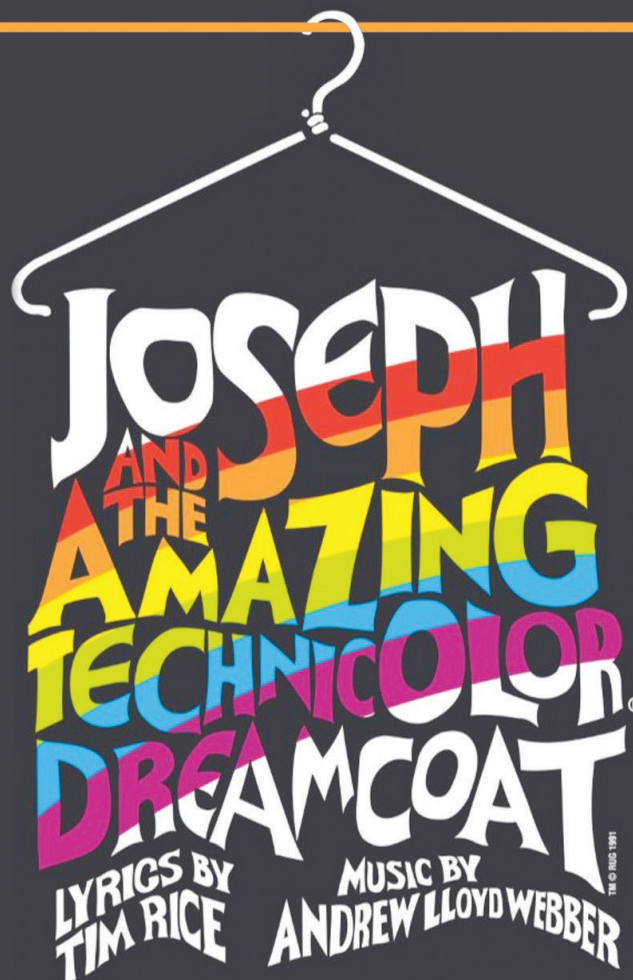


Chandler Fire cadets train for future careers.

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For more information about Chandler's Basic CERT course, visit [chandleraz.gov/fire](http://chandleraz.gov/fire) or call 480-782-2120.



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## Spell W-I-N-N-E-R

By the time you read this, Kyrene Traditional Academy sixth grader Timotheos Mihalopoulos, a semifinalist named to compete in the 2018 Arizona National Geographic State Bee, will know whether he's heading to Washington, D.C., next month.

The outcome of Timotheos' appearance at the state finals in Tucson will determine his eligibility for the national competition and possibly a trip to one of South America's—and the world's—most intriguing destinations.

The first-place national champion will receive a \$50,000 college scholarship, a lifetime membership in the society, including a subscription to National Geographic magazine, and an all-expenses-paid Lindblad expedition to the Galápagos Islands aboard the new National Geographic Endeavour II.

The Tucson event finals represented the second level of the competition, which is now in its 30th year. School bees were held in schools with

fourth- through eighth-grade students throughout the state to determine each school champion.

School champions then took a qualifying test, which they submitted to the National Geographic Society.

As a follow-up to the local competition, the society has invited up to 100 of the top-scoring students in each of the 50 states, District of Columbia, Department of Defense Dependents Schools and U.S. territories to compete in the state bees.

To celebrate the 30th annual National Geographic Bee, the cash prize for the top three students in each state has doubled.

Each state champion will receive \$200; the National Geographic Visual Atlas of the World, 2nd Edition; and a trip to the nation's capital to represent their state in the finals to be held at National Geographic Society headquarters, May 20-23.

Students who finish in second place will receive \$150 and in third will \$100.

Travel for the trip is provided by Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic. Second- and third-place finishers will receive \$25,000 and \$10,000 college scholarships.

National Geographic will stream the final round of the National Geographic Bee Championship starting May 24 at [www.natgeobee.org](http://www.natgeobee.org).

## Tempe Community Salutes on April 30

Tempe will once again give a rousing sendoff and salute to new U.S. military service members through Community Salutes.

The event is happening at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 30, at the Tempe Center for the Arts, 700 E. Rio Salado Parkway.

It's the city's fourth annual recognition ceremony for future military service members and their families. The public is invited.

This year's event features performances by Arizona historian Marshall Trimble, singer-songwriter Wade Cota and the Arizona Army National Guard Band.

Community Salutes is sponsored by Opus Development, Wexford Developments, Gorman & Co. and Sender Associates.

## Construction begins on Highline Canal Multi-Use Path

Tempe is continuing its efforts to add to its off-street bicycle- and pedestrian-facilities network with construction of the Highline Canal Multi-Use Path project.

The path, adding 3.5 miles of improvements and including a 10-foot-wide concrete path with lighting, landscaping and public art along the canal, will run north-south along Tempe's western border, connecting with the Town of Guadalupe on the north and Chandler on the south.

Construction will begin this May and will be completed in June 2019.

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# A Furry Farewell



**T**rainers who devoted the last 14 months to caring for puppies destined to become guide dogs for the visually impaired relished parting moments with man's — and their — best friends.

Puppy raisers are volunteers who receive their furry wards at 8 to 12 weeks of age. They open their homes and hearts to the puppies, spending time and love to socialize as well as teaching them good manners and basic obedience. The program, which was shown off at the Tempe location of Ikea, is under auspices of Guide Dogs for the Blind. *Information: [GuideDogs.com](http://GuideDogs.com)*

— Billy Hardiman for Wrangler News





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## Pastor's Corner: 'I am a teenager... why should I go to church?'

By Caleb Curtisi  
Youth Pastor, First Baptist Church of Tempe

God is the ultimate, loving parent. He knows and wants what is best for us. In his Word, he has shared his design for the best life we could possibly live. Jesus says, "I have come to give life, and life to the fullest!" Who doesn't want a better quality of life??

I do! I want to live life to the fullest! The way to do this is to follow the design God has laid out for our lives in his Word. Part of his design is to be committed to a local gathering of Christians, belonging to a church community.

**9 Reasons to go to Church regularly:**

**Jesus Did** — Luke 4:16 says, "And as was his custom, he went to

the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read." Jesus's habit was to gather with other followers of God regularly and participate in congregational worship.

**Tap into the Purpose of Your Life** —

You cannot fulfill your purpose if you do not know it. Be a part of the church to learn God's plan for your life and start living it out! There is nothing better than fulfilling your life's purpose.

**Habit Forming** —

You cannot fulfill Start the habit of doing the right thing young! God can overcome any obstacle, but why make it more difficult than it needs to be?

**Caring Community** — Earlier today I talked to someone who felt unloved by his family growing up. He said, "My church family is a loving community that cares about me, even when I felt unlovable by my own family."

**Growth**—God has placed spiritual leaders in the local church to equip followers to do the work of life! Get involved and get equipped to do work that will last for eternity!

**Meaningful Contribution**—Every Christian is called to contribute to God's work through the local church. There are a million ways to get involved and contribute to this work that will echo into eternity.

**Encouragement**

— Hebrews 10:25 says, "Some people have gotten out of the habit of meeting for worship,

but we must not do that. We should keep on encouraging each other..." God's Word says it is wrong to skip out on being part of the church. We ought to regularly gather in order to encourage one another. Life is hard. There are many things to be discouraged about... gathering with others regularly, and focusing on the truth, is encouraging. You are missing out on encouragement and encouraging others if you are not part of a local church!

**Truth in Love** —

"Good friends stab you in the front." OK, we shouldn't stab each other at all... but a true friend will speak God's truth in love to you to help you grow. We all have blind spots and need good friends to speak truth in love to us.

It is assumed throughout the New Testament that Christians will be committed to their local church.

Hebrews 10:25, Matthew 16:19, Acts 20:28, 1 Peter 5:3, 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13, 1 Timothy 5:17, Hebrews 13:17

It is true that it is costly to commit to God's local church.

It may cost you time, energy, money, pride, comfort, patience, love, frustration, and hurt... but all things in life worth committing to are costly.

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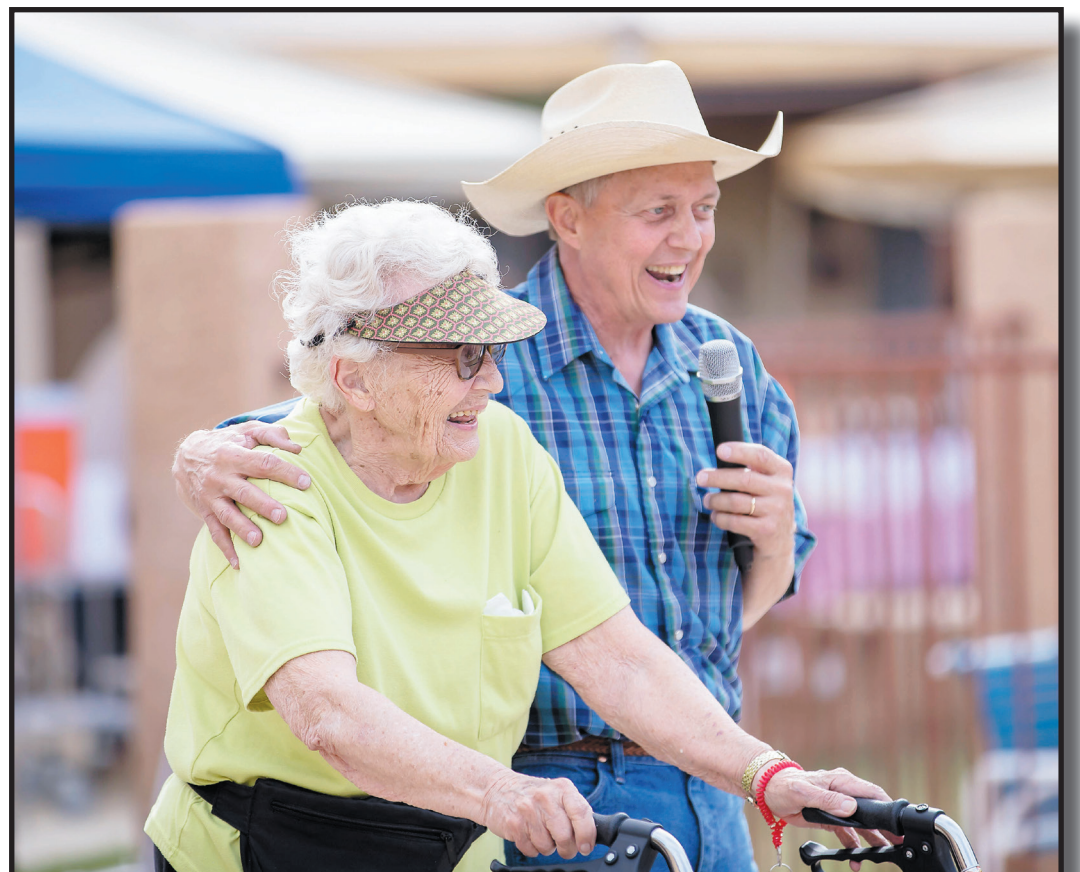
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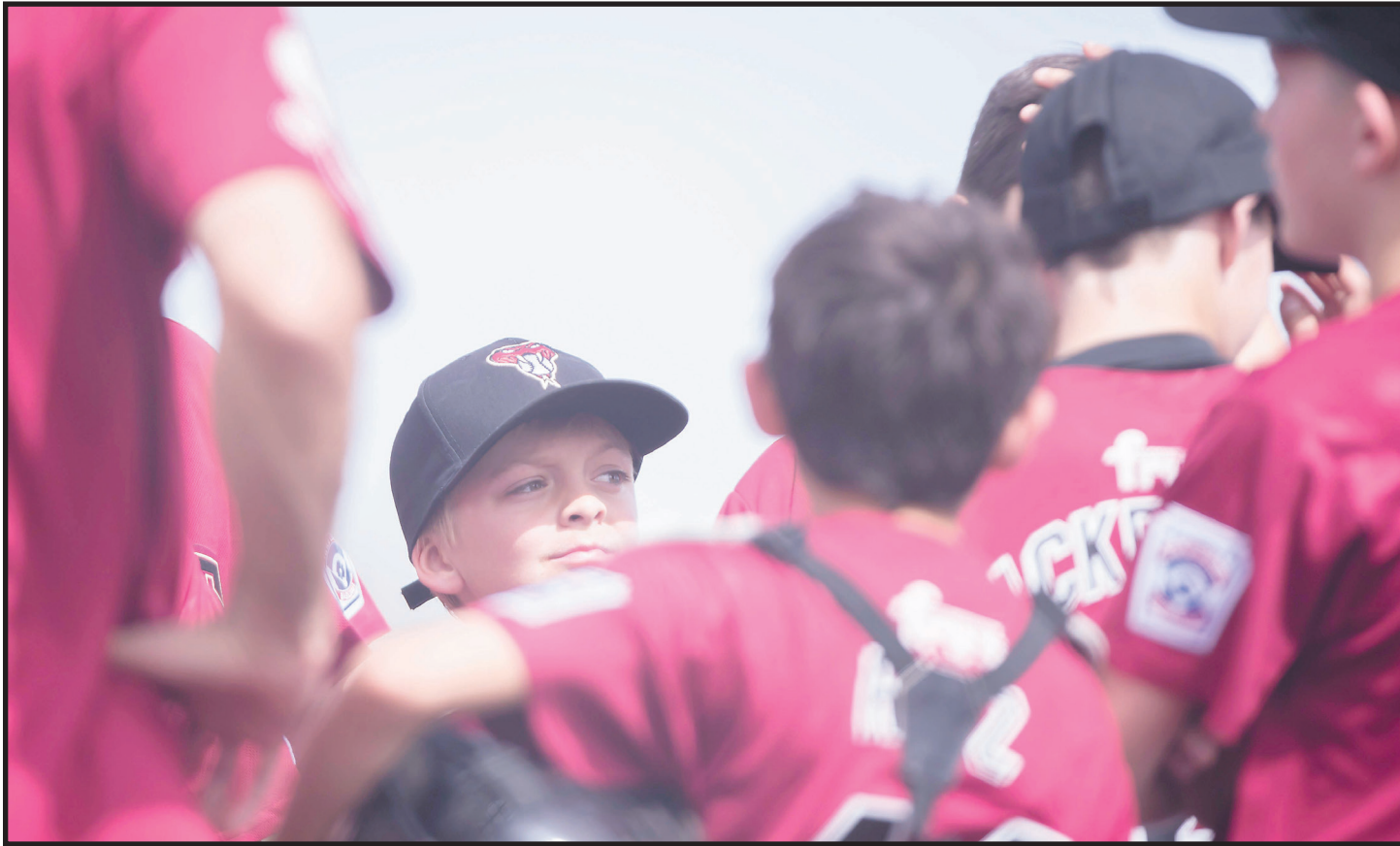


The Western Roundup held at Westchester Senior Living offered friends and family members the chance to mosey on over to the Tempe campus for a shindig that featured down-home barbeque, live music, face-painting and fun alongside Westchester residents.

— *Billy Hardiman for Wrangler News*



# BATTER UP!

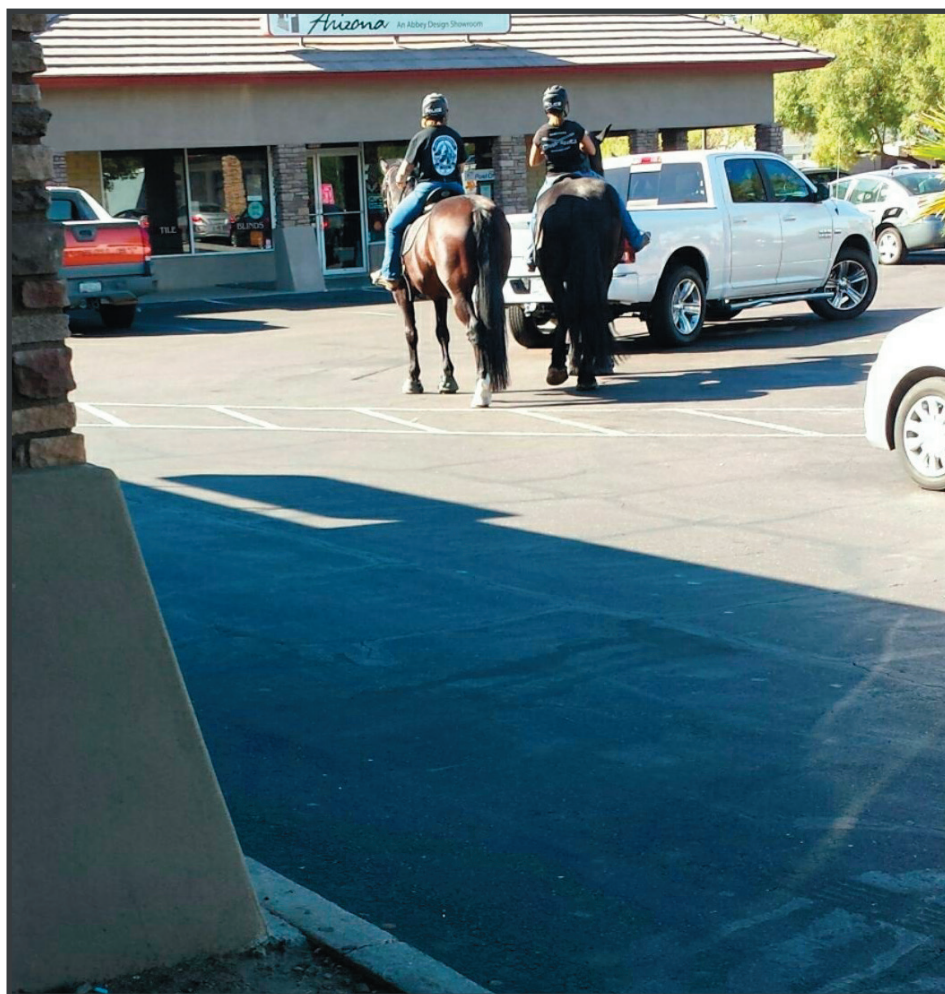


**O**pening Day—Tempe South's Little League players had plenty to celebrate at their new playing field at the Tempe Sports Complex. The new field was funded by a grant from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Community Indian Tribe and contributions from the Diamondbacks and Willie Bloomquist, a former Diamondback and Arizona State University baseball player. The field will be used year round by Tempe South Little League. Hundreds of Little League players and their families formally dedicated the field March 24. Mayor Mark Mitchel and Vice Mayor Robin Arredondo-Savage were also in attendance.

— Billy Hardiman for Wrangler News







# GIDDY-UP AND WAIT

Presumably not concerned about the normal bumper-to-bumper wait at Dutch Bros.' coffee drive-through in south Tempe, this pair of caffeine-starved equestrians hoofed it on down on a recent morning.

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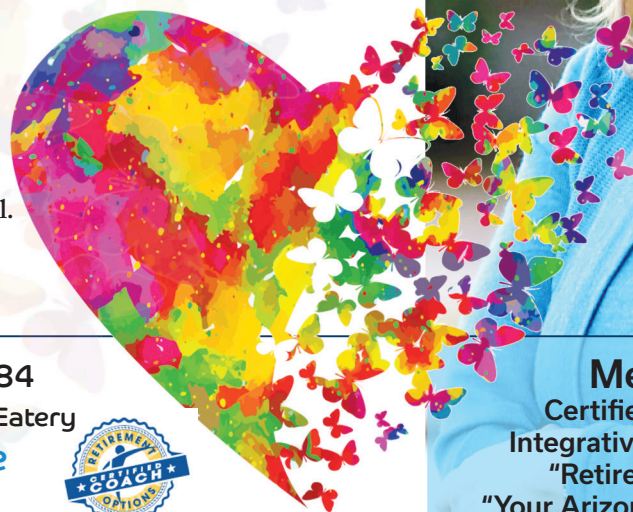
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# Sports



Corona de Sol's baseball team took third place at the Boras Classic.

— Photo by Dave Webb

## Aztecs' youth hasn't stopped baseball team's rapid rise

The same young and relatively inexperienced team that started the season for Corona's baseball team seems to have been quick learners since the Aztecs are currently ranked No. 5 in the 6A conference with a 13-4 season record heading into the last month of regular season play and recently placed third at the Boras Classic of Arizona 2018 held in mid-March.



"The outcome of the Boras Classic was no surprise to this team," said head coach **Dave Webb**. "They don't think, look or play like they are young and inexperienced. Sometimes, I think the coaches are the only ones who look at our group and wonder if our players know how good they really are."

Corona started the Boras Classic on fire, March 14, defeating Skyridge, from Lehi, UT, utilizing the 10-run mercy rule when junior **Bryan Kalmer's** homerun gave the Aztecs a 10-run lead or a score of 11-1 ending the game at the 6th inning.

**Daniel Sotelo, Matt Novis, Luke Eno** and **Bryan Webb** each scored one run while **Cade Verduco, Nick Pareti** and **Eric Weidner** each scored two runs against Skyridge.

Corona then went on to beat Catalina Foothills by a score of 12-1 on March 15 in the second round.

Highlights included a home run and a double by sophomore **Hunter Haas** who scored one run on two hits batting in four RBI's and junior **Jack Schobinger** batting 1.000 with two hits on two appearances at bat and three RBI's.

Besides strikeouts, the Aztecs as a team put out 15 batters on defense against Catalina Foothills. Sophomore **Ben Click** had two putouts and one assist with no errors.

In the semifinals, March 16, Corona played Basic, a high school out of Henderson, NV.

Corona ended up losing to Basic, 3-2, in a hard-fought defensive battle that went into extra innings when the game tied at 1-1 at the end of seven innings. The teams had to play four extra innings before Basic

was able to get up one run and thus win the game.

The loss to Basic bumped the Aztecs into the loser's bracket where they defeated Sunrise Mountain, 7-2, on March 17 to earn third place out of 16 teams.

The Aztecs put together a 3-1 winning streak after the Boras Classic outscoring their opponents 31-5 by defeating Mountain Ridge, 14-2, on March 24, Desert Mountain, 3-0, on March 27 and Desert Ridge, 14-1, on March 29, after losing to Mountain View, 2-0, on March 20.

Corona came out swinging against Mountain Ridge scoring 12 runs in the first inning alone. Kalmer hit a home run and was credited with two hits, the other one a double, on three appearances scoring two runs and four RBI's.

Junior **Wyatt Berry** also had two hits on three appearances at bat and was credited with scoring two runs and two RBI's while Haas continued his hot hitting by getting three hits on three appearances batting 1.000, scoring two runs and with two RBI's.

The other runs against Mountain Ridge were scored by Sotelo, Schobinger, Novis, senior **Cohlton Kieffer**, Pareti, Verduco and Webb, who scored two runs.

Novis pitched 4.2 innings allowing nine hits

and two runs while striking out eight batters to be credited with the win against Mountain Ridge.

On defense, junior catcher **Seth Pagetta** was two for two in putout attempts.

In the Aztec 3-0 win over Desert Mountain, it was defense and pitching that was the difference in the game. Corona committed no errors putting out 21 batters.

Catcher Schobinger was seven for seven in putouts while junior Sotelo had four putouts and a double play.

“**Wyatt Berry** at second base and **Hunter Haas** at shortstop are, in my opinion, the best defensive middle infield in the state,” said Webb. “Between them in 17 games, they have committed only one error.”

Berry had three putouts, two assists and a double play against Desert Mountain while juniors **Aaron Garcia** and **Austin Carpenter** each had one putout.

“Our center fielder, **Cade Verduco**, gets amazing jumps on balls and seems to run everything down in the outfield,” said Webb.

Against the Wolves, Verduco was two for two in putouts and Webb, on the pitching mound, had two putouts and three assists

“All three of our starting pitchers have been dominant,” said coach Webb. “Senior Matt Novis, junior Daniel Sotelo and sophomore Bryan Webb have amassed just a 1.70 team ERA.”

Against the Wolves, sophomore Bryan Webb pitched six innings allowing only two hits and no run while striking out six batters.

“My son Bryan, has a .33 ERA in 19 innings pitched to date,” said Webb.

Against Desert Ridge, senior Novis hit 1.000 with two hits on two times at bat and was credited with four RBI’s while Verduco hit .750 with three hits scoring two runs and was credited with three RBI’s.

“Bryan Kalmer, Hunter Haas and Matt Novis are lighting it up offensively for us,” said coach Webb. “All three of them are hitting over .450 and have so far been consistent throughout the season.”

Kalmer leads the team in hitting percentage, hits, runs, RBI’s and homeruns with a .553 average, 26 hits, 20 runs, 26 RBI’s and six homeruns so far on the season. Kalmer has also hit eight doubles and two triples.

Novis is not too far behind with a .457 average, 23 hits, 16 runs, 20 RBI’s and one homerun while Haas is hitting .457 with 21 hits, 16 runs, 14 RBI’s and one homerun.

On defense against Desert Ridge, senior **Teddy Ladley** was three for three in putouts.

Other members of the team who contribute on an off the field include sophomores **Ulises Jimenez**, **Kaiden Frees** and **David Utagawa** plus junior **Matteo Baker**.

Corona was scheduled to play at home against Gilbert on April before playing No. 4 ranked Desert

Vista on April 4 at Chase Field.

Up next the Aztecs were scheduled to play at Gilbert April 5 and then at Desert Vista April 6.

### Marcos de Niza Baseball

The Padres are 13-8, 2-1 in their section, but have won eight out of their last 10 games. With six games left in the regular season, they have a good chance to improve their 4A Conference No. 11 ranking before the state playoffs.

Two of their games, April 5 and April 11, are against Higley who is ranked No. 23 in the 4A Conference then they play at Casa Grande ranked No. 24 on April 10 and at Tempe on April 17.

The most challenging game should be the one at home April 6 against currently ranked No. 3 Seton Catholic. The Sentinels are currently 15-1.

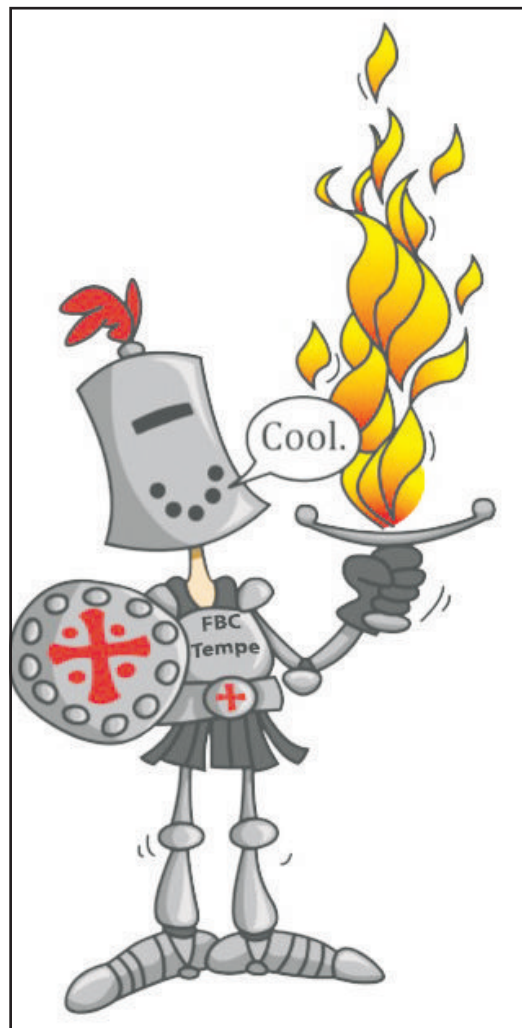
The last game will be against Yuma at home where they will honor their seniors **Nick Leach**, **Max L’Heureux**, **Kevin Dunnahoo**, **Adam Sebastian**, **Michael Rosales**, **JP Patterson**, **Tyler Daraban** and **Eric Oden**.

### Corona Softball

The Aztecs, led by nine seniors, are 15-6 and currently ranked No. 6 in the 6A Conference heading into the last month of play.

Two seniors, **Jessica Lynch** and **Mikaeli**

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# Diversions

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## Spielberg was 'Ready' for another pleaser

Human society is run down and slummy, but most people don't care that much because they spend most of their time in virtual reality anyway.

But enough about present-day America. Steven Spielberg's latest, based on a 2011 novel by Ernest Cline, takes this state of affairs further, into a bleak and distressingly plausible version of 2045.

The teenage hero Wade (Tye Sheridan) resides in a stack of mobile homes in Columbus, Ohio.

But he, like most of his neighbors, spends as much time as possible in an immersive online universe called The Oasis, in which people assume the roles of "avatars," many of them based on favorite pop-culture characters ranging from the Mutant Ninja Turtles to Harryhausen's Cyclops, as well as many original creations: Wade's avatar Parzival resembles an anime hero.

The departed creator of the The Oasis, a socially awkward genius named Halliday (Mark Rylance), has left behind a series of "Easter Eggs," three keys that, if found, will make the player the heir to The Oasis.

Tye, of course, is determined to find them. It's a bit like *The Matrix* meets *Willy Wonka*, with Ben Mendelsohn as an evil corporate Slugworth. There's a dash of *The Searchers*, too.

Wade/Parzival falls in with various allies, and wild fights and chases

ensue, both in The Oasis and the real world. The movie starts slow, and is a bit of a mess; long stretches of it, like a nutty passage set in the Overlook Hotel from Kubrick's *The Shining*, are absorbing and funny, while other stretches, especially the real-world stuff, recall the heavy-handed, obsequiously crowd-pleasing Spielberg of the later '80s.

It's a bit perplexing to see, after the effortless command Spielberg demonstrated a couple of months ago in *The Post*.

The real fun is in the juxtaposition of pop icons: Where else can we get King Kong and Chucky and The Iron Giant all in the same movie, along with countless characters from video games and cartoons and toy series? Even Mechagodzilla turns up, accompanied by a whisper of Akira Ifukube's unforgettable *Godzilla* theme.

*Ready Player One* seems to be an allegorical plea for, on the commercial and political end, net neutrality, and on the personal end, a bit of moderation where online life is concerned.

Neither of these positions is particularly radical, but the movie seems to have its middle-of-the-road heart in more or less the right place.

*Ready Player One* is rated PG-13 and plays at Tempe Marketplace, Chandler Fashion Center, Arizona Mills and other Valley multiplexes.

## A coming-of-age bow for Phoenix film celebration

M.V. Moorhead

In many cultures, the 18th birthday is a big deal, the serious coming of age birthday. Phoenix Film Festival turns 18 this year, and does indeed seem to be making the leap to the next level.

The schedule this year includes a number of anticipated, high-profile movies, including *Won't You Be My Neighbor?*, Morgan Neville's documentary about Mr. Rogers, and Bo Burnham's coming-of-age yarn, *Eighth Grade*.

Various film production notables are slated to attend, and there will be the usual parties, receptions and showcases.

But perhaps the most notable sign that the festival has grown up is simply that it's grown out: It's longer than in previous years, running from April 5 to April 15 at Harkins Scottsdale 101.

"This year we're going from eight days to 11 days," explains Jason Carney, the festival's executive director.

"It's a big jump because it also means more movies. Last year we had 175, and now we're hitting the 300 mark. This has allowed us to create a 'Music in Movies' section, as well as expanding out our other categories."

Carney ascribes the fest's growth, in part, to its unity of place.

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Estate La Colina Neighborhood Association hosted the neighborhood's first Music & Arts in the Park in November 2017 that focused on bringing local artists and live music to their park. — Wrangler News file photo

## Arts

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activities. The city provided the funding and event planning assistance for both.

Mitchell Park hosted the neighborhood's first *Fox and Peacock Music Festival* in February. Hundreds of residents attended the event, which included two stages with eight bands, live painting and arts and craft tables.

"The festival brought our neighborhood together, giving residents and local artists a forum to reconnect with each other and create new friendships," said event organizer and Mitchell Park Neighborhood Chair Justin Stewart. "It also gave local artists the opportunity to share their talents with the neighborhood while building a stronger connection to the city."

After surveying neighbors to find out what type of event they would like to see, the Estrada Park team from the Estate La Colina Neighborhood Association hosted the neighborhood's first Music & Arts in the Park in November 2017, focusing on bringing local artists and live music to their park.

There was also a recycled-art craft table for kids and free Tai Chi, yoga and fitness classes.

"We had no idea the festival would be such a community-building experience, but we attracted a crowd of about 500 people," said event organizer and Estate La Colina neighborhood member Mckell Keeney.

As a result, the neighborhood has a concert planned for 6 p.m. Saturday, April 14.

In 2015, the city finalized its Arts and Culture Plan, which was crafted over months of research and collaboration with nearly 1,000 community members from residents and artists to businesses and students.

Since then, Tempe has been working to execute recommendations, which include initiatives like developing more after-school and summer arts programs for youth and bringing art of all kinds into neighborhoods to enrich quality of life citywide.

## Park welcomes April 14 artfest

By Diana Whittle

Neighbors from Estate La Colina thought that the "Art in the Park" event—held last November in Estrada Park—was so much fun that they kept asking Mckell Keeney, neighborhood leader and event coordinator: "When can we do this again?"

The answer is at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 14, in Estrada Park, 1801 E. Palomino Drive, at a concert featuring "Sugar Thieves." The event is free and open to all.

The Sugar Thieves call Tempe home, but over the past eight years they have made their presence known all over the U.S., Mexico, and Europe. The band has won fans over with its high-energy, soulful live shows since 2006.

Over the years, the members have honed their brand of American roots music, creating a sound that is all their own, explained Keeney.

"Their music moves between blues, country, folk, gospel, rock and roll, and elements of jazz. But, freely, they honor the traditions that make American music so great.

"Our Estate La Colina neighborhood group is hosting the event for all our neighbors. All ages are welcome to come out; bring a blanket or lawn chairs, and a picnic, so you can enjoy the great music and weather."

There also will be food for purchase from a food truck or from United Luchadores Street Gourmet.

"They will be offering a vegan, gluten-free menu option of potato, green corn taco with chips and salsa, besides their regular menu that includes quesadillas with locally made tortillas.

"In addition, our local neighbors will have their ice-cream mobile cart on hand called PopCycle, with frozen treats for people and for pooches," said Keeney.

Estrada Park is scheduled to be closed for the next several months for re-modeling. In the meantime, Keeney says, she will stay busy looking for a sponsor to host monthly concerts and another full-blown festival with arts activities, along with the music.

"We are looking for a sponsor or co-sponsor for this concert, and for a possible May 12 concert in the park," said Keeney.

"We are hoping to have future monthly concerts beginning spring 2019, after the park is re-graded." She asks those interested to send a message if they have a business that can contribute, or if their family wants to co-sponsor a music concert by a local band with original music.

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# Hospital

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such as sore throats or the flu, in this era of school violence, emergency preparedness is ratcheting up.

The two-hour course for TUHSD personnel will include how to stop bleeding as well as hands-on cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. The effort is part of an initiative developed by Homeland Security and BleedingControl.org.

St. Luke's is offering the free course to the wider community on the third Thursday of each month, and Waack noted that community groups and homeowner associations can also request the course.

"The goal is to train everybody in the community, including children of school age, to get them to be able to respond as bystanders during mass-casualty incidents, whether it be natural disaster or man-made disaster," Waack said.

According to BleedingControl.org, the national effort so far has led to more than 124,000 people trained by over 15,000 instructors.

"We've had multiple school shootings [in the U.S.] where there are multiple victims involved, as well as the hurricanes with lots of victims," Waack said.

"When there are many casualties, we rely on bystanders for first aid to save time and save lives while they're waiting for help to get to them."

The number-one risk is a victim dying from blood loss. It happens faster than you might think, especially if it involves an artery, the body's highly pressurized blood vessels.

"If there is an arterial bleed, a patient could bleed out within three minutes," Waack said. That's about the time it takes for emergency medical services to transport the patient to a facility.

After those three minutes of arterial bleeding, the next stop is cardio-pulmonary arrest. In other words, the heart is no longer effectively pumping blood.

"The more volume you lose, the more critical you become. The body goes into shock," Waack explained. "The patient loses consciousness and they can stop breathing—their heart will stop."

The average adult has about 5-6 liters of blood. For children or smaller teenage girls, that volume drops to about the 3-4 liter range. Oxygen is attached to that blood, so the more blood you lose, the more critical the situation.

Waack's training teaches people to

locate the bleeding, stop it and keep the patient as stable as possible until emergency personnel arrive.

"The biggest concern is mass casualties," Waack said. "When we have multiple victims at a scene, it makes it much harder for EMS—they have to survey that scene and decide who is the most critical to treat first."

## What to do when moments count

So what should you do if you're there when a victim is losing blood?

Waack offered straightforward counsel:

"Locate the bleed. Apply direct pressure and don't let go."

She recommends using the clothing you've removed to find the source of the bleeding or your own clothing to stanch the flow. If that won't work, use both of your hands.

At the mass shooting in Las Vegas last October, bystanders used purse straps, belts and even rolled-up T-shirts to create makeshift tourniquets.

Waack said the course being offered by St. Luke's Medical Center educates the TUHSD personnel and the wider community about how to apply a tourniquet.

First aid kits usually have tourniquets, and Waack said the course demonstrates how to use the CAT tourniquet and SWAT tourniquet. SWAT stands for Stretch, Wrap and Tuck. CAT stands for Combat Application Tourniquet.

Both can be bought through Amazon and range from \$13-\$28.

"We teach them both so they get to practice with both on themselves and on each other," Waack said.

## Schools' view

John Meza, director of district safety for TUHSD, commented on the training being offered to district nurses and some teachers.

"The safety of our students is our first priority and a comprehensive approach to school safety involves both prevention and response training," Meza said.

"Keeping kids safe involves a collaboration with several community agencies. Much like our school resources officers, local hospitals play an integral role in training, and in the event of an emergency, responding to a school crisis.

"We appreciate the many ways that Steward-St. Luke's partners with us to ensure the safety of our entire community."

Information: [bleedingcontrol.org](http://bleedingcontrol.org) or [stlukesmedicalcenter.org](http://stlukesmedicalcenter.org) and click on events and classes.

# Fest

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"Not only are all screenings at one location, the amazing Harkins Scottsdale 101," he notes, "but all of the parties and workshops happen just outside the theatre doors.

There are very few, if any, festivals our size that take place in one convenient spot.

Most festivals that have this many events are scattered throughout the city."

Instead, says Carney, the Harkins venue "creates a real sense of community at the festival, as festival goers and filmmakers are able to connect and talk with the same people throughout the event.

It's a really cool vibe that develops each year."

Helping to generate that vibe this year, says Carney, are "a few guests I'm psyched about.

And they're screening back to back on closing night. First is director Jim Loach and actress Liana Liberato with the US Premiere of the film *Measure of a Man*, starring a great ensemble including Donald Sutherland, Judy Greer and Luke Wilson.

Then following that we have director Bo Burnham screening his

film *Eighth Grade* from A24 that premiered at Sundance.

Coming-of-age films are right in my wheelhouse, and we're closing out with two strong ones."

This year's festival will include short film showcases, including bills of shorts by Native Americans, Latinos and African Americans, college shorts, and shorts by Arizona high school students.

There will be various parties and award presentations, a silent auction, and, on April 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., a Kid's Day of free activities.

But it's the opportunities to meet and interact with filmmakers that's essential to the festival's success.

"The fact that we have filmmakers in attendance is a huge thing for audiences" says Carney.

"Getting to hear the perspective from the director and others who worked on the film often gives you another level of appreciation of the films. It's kind of like what helps separate a film festival from just going to the movies."

*Phoenix Film Festival 2018 runs from April 5 to April 15 at Harkins Scottsdale 101. Go to [phoenixfilmfestival.com](http://phoenixfilmfestival.com) for details.*

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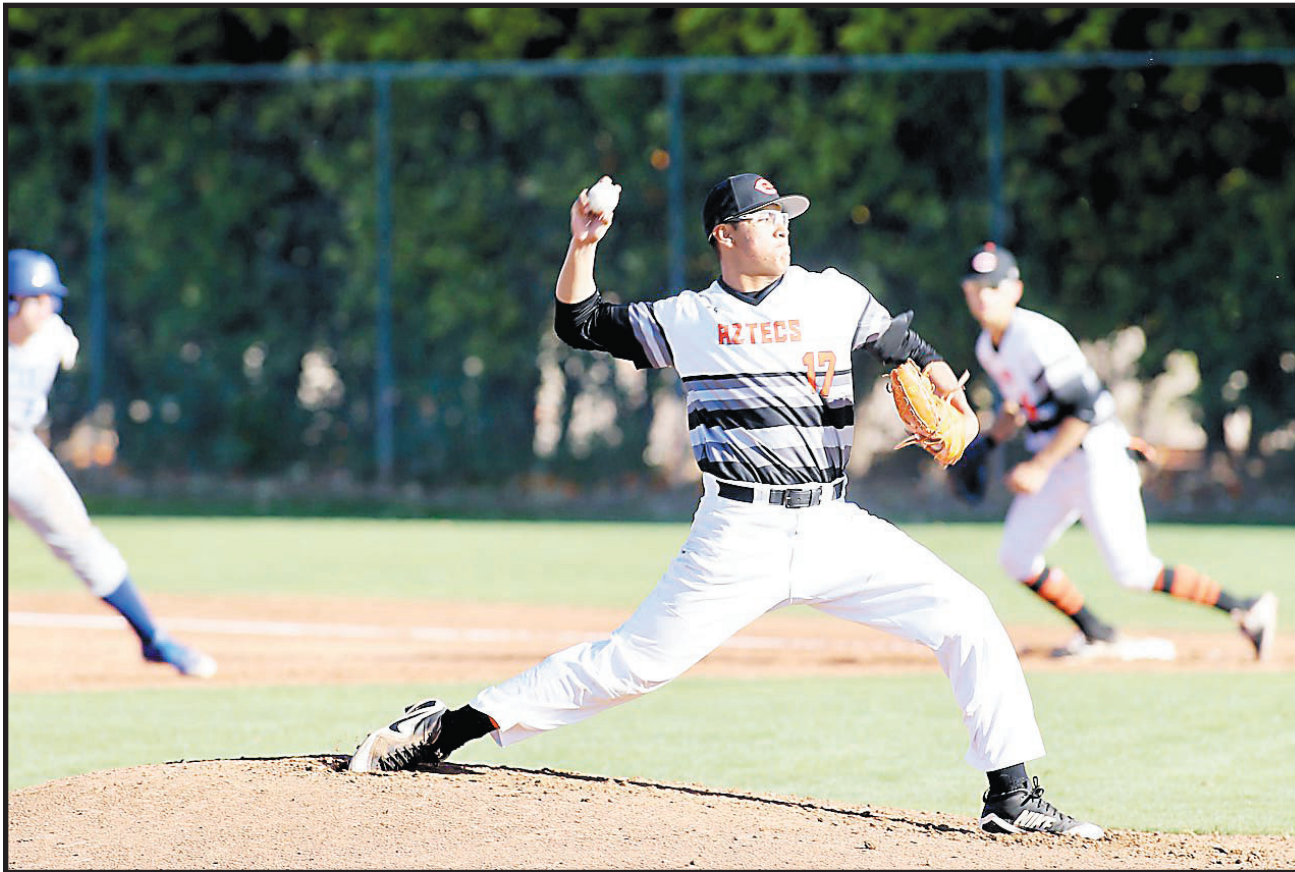
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## Sports

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**Davidson**, have been stellar on the pitching mound with Lynch credited pitching 63 innings is credited for six wins with an ERA of 2.78 while Davidson pitching in 58.2 innings is credited with four wins and a 3.46 ERA.

Senior **Caleigh Tilden-Long**, playing in all 20 games, leads the team with 32 hits scoring 32 runs and 17 RBI's with a .485 batting average but close behind is senior **Bailey Sejnoha** who has only played in 11 games but has 12 runs on 10 hits and is batting .556.

Lynch and Davidson have both scored three home runs with Lynch playing in all 20 games hitting .383 scoring 13 runs on 23 hits with 25 RBI's. Davidson has played in 18 games scoring 11 runs and 16 RBI's on 24 hits with three doubles and three home runs.

Leading the team in home runs is junior **Zoey Joshlin** with four home runs and three doubles playing in 19 games hitting .455 scoring 16 runs with 22 RBI's on 25 hits.

Sophomore **Summer Duran** and junior **Reyna Mori** have both scored two home runs while senior **Olivia Miller** leads the team in stolen bases with 11 stolen bases while playing in 15 games.

Mori leads the team in putouts with 89 putouts and 4 assists on 97 attempts in 19 games giving her a .959 fielding percentage. Junior **Ally Quintero** has 32 putouts and 12 assists on 50 attempts.

Sophomore **Sierra Fuchs** has a .920 fielding percentage playing in 15 games while junior **Ariana Marquez-Yniguez** has a .818 fielding percentage in 15 games.

Senior **Nicole Neumann** has played in 19 games scoring 13 runs on 14 hits with a fielding average of .714 while fellow senior **Sydney Johnson** has a 1.000 fielding percentage playing in six games.

Seniors **Alyssa Baca** and **Cassidee Wax** have contributed off the bench along with sophomore **Jada Wendling**, who has three runs on three hits with two RBI's and a double and junior **Alexis Massie**.

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### Banner Health data breach spawns emergence of firms working to keep records safe, including one in Tempe

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A federal probe of that data breach, which officials now say may have compromised the records of 3.7 million people, has been underway in the months since it was discovered in 2016.

A company spokeswoman said the firm, which started as a tech consulting group, became compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act to help

physicians understand the growing threat and offer help if and when it occurs.

According to a statement regarding the Marcus group's involvement, it was recently announced that Banner Health expects "negative findings" from the ongoing federal probe.

"This is especially concerning," said the spokeswoman, "since many doctors' offices are making the shift to keeping records and data completely online."

In fact, she noted, "72% of physicians access drug information from smartphones and 63%...access medical research from tablets."

Marcus Networking Inc. is based in Tempe and represents a variety of industries such as medical and legal, manufacturing and retail, produce and finance, schools and nonprofits.

The same spokeswoman said a Scottsdale-based firm, Radix Law, formerly The Frutkin Law Firm, is also available as a resource.

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The fair follows Tempe's annual State of the Neighborhoods event, where Mayor Mark Mitchell and City Council representatives present neighborhood awards and recognize community leaders.

The event takes place inside Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave., starting at 8 a.m., with the fair following at 9:30 in the open space outside the museum.

Those attending can get help with issues regarding senior citizen needs, financial planning, disabilities, substance abuse, crisis needs, food resources, housing, transportation options, employment, healthcare, wellness,

legal issues, domestic violence, suicide prevention and more. Care Fair is organized by Tempe Community Council, which supports more than 40 non-profits that offer services in Tempe—many of which will be on hand to provide information and answer questions.

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## Feedback . . .

Editor:

I am running for Mayor of Chandler to serve our entire community. After serving two terms as city councilman, I have the understanding and the ability to lead Chandler as its next Mayor.

As a seventh-generation Arizonan I have deep ties to Chandler; my family has lived in the East Valley for more than 100 years. After graduating from Arizona State University, I enlisted in the Marine Corps and later received a commission in the Navy.

I had the honor of leading American's in combat operations in the first Gulf War, Kosovo, multiple tours in the Middle East and Afghanistan. In May of 2015, I retired from the United States Navy as a Commander, after more than 35 years of reserve and active service.

With the exception of military deployments, I've lived in Arizona my entire life. My wife and I have been married for 34 years and have been fortunate to raise our family in Chandler. Our son and daughter are now raising their families here. We believe in Chandler and want to make it an even better community for generations to come.

As Mayor, I will draw from 30 years of public and private sector experience. Chandler will once again lead in innovative and collaborative solutions to Economic Development. We will partner with job creators in the private sector and cut unnecessary bureaucracy and wasteful spending. We will create an environment where our educational institutions and businesses benefit from collaboration.

Finally, as Mayor, I will be committed to fully funding Public Safety. We cannot maintain our quality of life, keep our neighborhoods and schools safe and hope to retain or attract businesses if we do not have adequate Public Safety. Chandler politicians have shamefully given themselves pay raises and increased their benefits rather than hire more Police Officers. I will make sure that our first responders have what they need to keep Chandler safe.

—Martin Sepulveda

### Facebook comments . . .

#### Regarding coverage of HOA fines

Fire all of them and make HOAs illegal..... They are the worst thing to happen to housing ever.....

Federico de los Santos

I think HOAs are basically unconstitutional and I've seen them do things that are blatantly racist. So anything that slows them down is a good thing!!

Jennifer Spray Doering

#### Lovin' it

As someone who used to live in the neighborhood and read the Wrangler religiously each issue, I love the idea of a digital issue so i can continue to follow the news even though I now live in downtown Tempe.

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# Final Word: A West Chandler view for the future

By Kevin Hartke

I believe that local politics matter. "Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality. It is the words that speak boldly of your intentions. And the actions which speak louder than the words. It is making the time when there is none. Coming through time after time after time, year after year after year. Commitment is the stuff character is made of; the power to change the face of things. It is the daily triumph of integrity over skepticism." (Shearson Lehman)

I am committed to serving you as Chandler's next mayor. As your next mayor, I will champion and support our chamber of commerce, businesses, schools, parks, neighborhoods, community programs and residents. After almost eight years of service on the City Council and twice being appointed as vice mayor, I understand our community and how to get things done. I currently serve regionally in areas of economic development, transportation and human services at the Maricopa Association of Governments and the Regional Public Transportation Authority, and locally on the Chandler Chamber of Commerce's Public Policy Committee.

Our city is prospering. Our taxes are low. We are fiscally balanced. Business are moving to Chandler creating more jobs. We continue to be one of the top cities in the nation in regard to prosperity, safety, desirability, education and transparency. Chandler continues to be the recipient of awesome news: the Intel expansion, small businesses flocking to our city, revitalization of the downtown and several corporate headquarters relocating here. This continues to be my vision!

My commitment as Chandler's Mayor is to create and ensure Chandler's future and legacy as a world class community. My priorities are the following:

- Ensure great customer service and transparency to our

residents.

- Continue to attract great companies and great jobs.
- Empower our first responders to keep our community safe.
- Collaborate with our schools to maximize amenities like pools, libraries and public spaces.
- Collaborate with our neighboring communities to find greater efficiencies for meeting infrastructure needs like water treatment plants, regional communication systems, etc.
- Maximize the potential for jobs in West Chandler, the Price Corridor, Airport area, Chandler Fashion Center, and Uptown Chandler.
- Continue to approach build-out wisely.
- Promote new and appropriate technology to serve our residents and business community.

I am blessed with a family that supports each other. Lynne and I share 36 years of marriage and have four adult children that graduated from Chandler public schools and three grandchildren. We also have a rescue dog named Mollie.

I also serve as a pastor at Trinity Christian Fellowship in Chandler and the director of For Our City - Chandler. For Our City is a non-profit organization working with government, business, nonprofit and faith leaders who gather to find solutions for local needs in Chandler. I also volunteer with several organizations: Desert Cancer Foundation of Arizona, American Cancer Society, and Galveston Elementary School. I have a bachelor's degree in biochemistry from University of Missouri, Columbia; and a master's degree in Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary.

Thank you for taking the time to read this article. You can learn more about me and my campaign at kevinhartke.com.

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Graystone	132 E. Buena Vista Dr.	3,961	5 / 3.5	\$750,000
The Lakes	1538 E. South Shore Dr.	2,470	4 / 2	\$385,000
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