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Making a big community a little bit smaller.

Horsin around

Shea Golden and her pal Bogie joined the crowd at Buena Vista Ranchos' annual neighborhood horse show, which has attracted riding enthusiasts for more than 25 years. It was a day of classes, competition and just plain fun for the whole family. — David Stone / Wrangler News

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ASU senior landing major corporate sponsors for next 'Green Summit' Hopes success will spur Tempe to take larger role

The 4,000 people who lined up for **Chris Samila's** first Green Summit may look like a drop in the environmental bucket compared to this year's expected extravaganza, which already is overflowing with some of the country's biggest-name corporate sponsors.

Samila is an ASU senior who launched a budding career in sustainability last year by engineering a kickoff "green" conference on the college campus.

Now, he's taken a semester away from classes to coordinate the huge planning effort that is under way for a 2008 summit Sept. 5-6, this year at Phoenix Convention Center.

"Last year, we thought of it more as a mom-and-pop type of event," says the 23-year-old Samila. "I didn't realize how big this thing was going to be."

And big, it seems, is almost an understatement.

Companies like Dial, Honeywell, SRP and APS already are on board as charter members, with APS looking at title sponsorship.

On April 16, the Greater Phoenix Economic Council confirmed its sponsorship, which Samila thinks will spur cities like Tempe to take a closer look at their involvement.

Chandler already has taken significant



Chris Samila: Shedding light on sustainability. — David Stone / Wrangler News

steps with its green building program; Scottsdale and at least 15 others appear ready to follow, says Samila. Scottsdale even deferred to Samila's 2008 conference after holding its own sustainability event last year.

Meanwhile, cities across the country are hosting their own environmental megaevents. Chicago held one in 2007, Boston will be hosting one this year. Phoenix is due to hold the national conference in 2009.

Every aspect of daily living, according to Samila, has a lot to gain from the movement. Cities can generate more revenue simply by implementing educational campaigns for recyclables. "Right now, we're tossing out tons of stuff that could go to recycling, and changing that is just a matter of communicating better."

The building, insurance, trucking and dozens of other industries can also benefit by gaining additional knowledge, especially about the revenue stream that's available to help achieve sustainability goals.

"There's so much low-hanging fruit that people don't know about," he says. Improving the access to information will help solve that problem, he says.

As to his own Green Summit, Samila says it's a step toward business, academia and the public coming together to increase environmental awareness.

"People need to know why

sustainability is important, why we do this. (The summit) makes it approachable," he says.

"It will help move the whole idea forward and make it fun." Information: www.greensummit.net.

— By Don Kirkland

Kyrene Corridor Briefs

Corona air-quality meeting

Members of the Corona del Sol airquality coalition will gather from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 19, in the meeting room of the Chandler Police Substation, 251 N. Desert Breeze Boulevard.

The location represents a change from one previously announced

To confirm attendance, RSVP online at mary@edupartnerships.com

Breakout sessions are planned so that participants who want to help in a specific way can do so. Summary sheets and frequently asked questions/answers will be distributed at the start of the session to save time recapping.

Driving restrictions

The following road restrictions affect Kyrene Corridor drivers:

• Warner Road is restricted to one lane eastbound between Taylor Drive and Price Road 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. until April 23.

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Viewpoint ... by Dr. David Schauer, Superintendent Despite downturn, Kyrene numbers top state average

The nation, state and Valley are facing some difficult economic times. When thinking about how all this impacts school districts, it is important to keep in mind that we depend on an equalized per- pupil funding formula which means that every school district in Arizona receives the same dollar amount per student.

While that might seem clear, the formula is not as simple as it sounds because different categories of students are funded by what are called "weights" that have been established by the legislature.

In addition, some of the funding we receive is specifically earmarked for certain programs (i.e., full-day kindergarten, early literacy etc.).

School finance in Arizona is extremely complex and very few people understand how it works. Many individuals and professional organizations believe that major reforms (including additional funds) are needed.

When the economy is suffering and funding for public education is threatened, it is understandable that school districts become quite nervous and concerned.

With that being said, the Kyrene Elementary School District is one of the best managed systems in the state of Arizona.

Even before Gov. Napolitano's initiative to spend an additional nickel of every dollar in the classroom, the values of the Governing Board, school district and community already had Kyrene allocating more of these scarce dollars in the classroom than other districts.

Currently, Kyrene is spending 9.7 percent

more than the state average in the classroom and 22 percent less than the state average on administration.

We recently learned that Moody's Investors Service upgraded Kyrene's bond rating from Aa3 to Aa2 which is noteworthy because few districts in the state have earned this highly favorable rating.

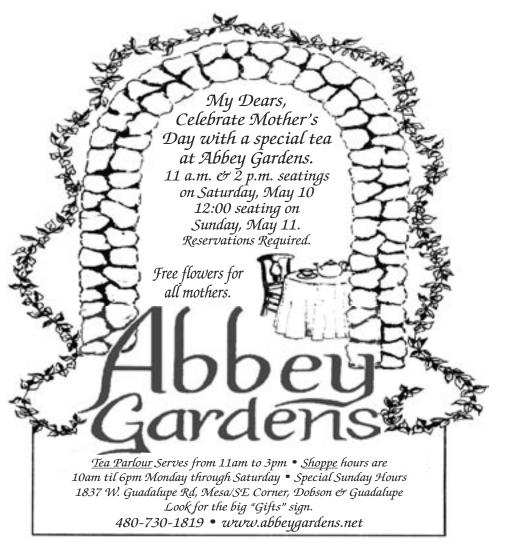
Moody's attributes this to strong management, sound fiscal operations and enrollment decline that has been mitigated by open enrollment for students who reside outside the district. It is also due to the strong leadership and stewardship demonstrated by the Kyrene Governing Board and financial team.

Gratefully, because of strong community support for the school district, Kyrene also has additional funding from three voter-approved overrides that run for seven years. These overrides are for maintenance and operations, grades K-3 and capital purposes.

So, while we see the impact of a floundering economy negatively impacting school districts all around, Kyrene remains stable and sound.

That being said, there is very little discretionary money available for any number of things we might desire to do, but we are not forced to make the tough decisions that many school districts are faced with.

As we continue to develop and change as a school district, we are committed to remaining one of the very best places to educate children in the state of Arizona!





Parents who are trying to find an outlet for their kids' summer-vacation energy can take advantage of the Kyrene School District's Kids Club program, which features special events, field trips and swimming at four Kyrene Corridor locations.

Most programs are open from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. May 27 through July 25.

Area locations include:

• Kyrene de las Manitas, 1201 W. Courtney Lane, Tempe (3- and 4-year-olds and kindergarten through second grade);

• Kyrene de la Mirada, 5500 W. Galveston, Chandler (infants, toddlers and K-5);

• Kyrene de los Niños, 1330 E. Dava Drive, Tempe (K-5 and middle school); and

• Kyrene de la Paloma, 5000 W. Whitten, Chandler (K-5; club hours 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. only).

Registrations will be accepted at www.kyrene.org/ eservices until 8 a.m. Monday, May 12; walk-in signups will be accepted at district offices, northwest corner of Kyrene and Warner roads, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday through July 7.

Financial assistance is available.

Mariposa Kid Zone program honored

Three students from Kyrene de la Mariposa Elementary School are the newest recipients of the city of Tempe's 2008 Kid Zone Mayor's Awards

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members in the Kid Zone program.

School partner honors went to **Grace Inouye** for her assistance with the program.

Information session set on gifted program

An informational meeting for gifted students in grades three through five will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 24, at Kyrene del Sureño Elementary School, 3375 W. Galveston St., Chandler.

The meeting will provide information on the Kyrene School District's self-contained gifted program, in which students receive enriched instruction in language arts, math, social studies and science, and participate in music, art and physical education.

Applications are being accepted now. Information: (480) 783-4151.

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Is the oldest rule in the investment handbook showing its age?

related in the past.

by KevinA, Kaesberg

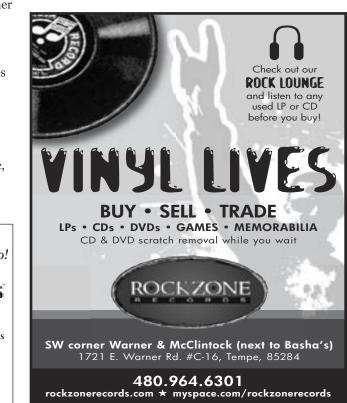
D^{IVERSIFICATION . . . historically, one of the oldest rules in investing. Since the birth of modern finance many have believed diversification to be the utmost in risk management... if you lost a significant portion of your investments, then you just "didn't have enough diversification."}

Defined as "An investment strategy that involves buying a variety of investment instruments that are not highly correlated to each other in order to reduce the risk of a portfolio," correlation is a key component to the success, or failure, of diversification and managing risk within your investments. Investments are highly correlated if, while one investment is moving in one direction, you can reasonably expect the other investment to follow suit. Therefore, low correlation relates to two investments that move independently of each other. Investments with low or negative correlation are needed for diversification to work appropriately. This provides for an investment portfolio that minimizes the negative movement of the portfolio while allowing positives changes to occur.

"Wide diversification is only required when investors do not understand what they are doing." -Warren Buffett

Historically, many considered a portfolio to be adequately diversified if it contained many different stocks or mutual funds, bonds, precious metals and international positions. This worked well because the correlation between these assets typically moved independently. The global economy of today was non-existent, trade was muted and business moved at a much slower pace.

Things are different today. Many economies rely heavily upon the same customers and suppliers, trade has become much more commonplace among virtually all



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with the world we live in due to the blending nature of many of the investment opportunities that were non-cor-

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hold" type strategy, but rather having some of your assets actively managed. Your costs of investing may increase,

Find a professional who thinks out of the box and can

provide you with insight in today's changing world. Keep in mind, it may be difficult to attain adequate diversifica-

tion with smaller account values, but work towards continued diversification in light of our ever-changing world.

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2008 'Good Neighbor' honors go to five from So. Tempe

Tempe's annual good-neighbor search has produced five south Tempe winners, including the recipient of the top Neighbor of the Year award.

Jim Joy, a member of the Camelot Village Neighborhood Association, was selected as recipient of the coveted Chuck Malpede Award, named in honor of the longtime Maple-Ash resident and educator. Malpede held a reputation for positive problem solving, proactive planning and neighborhood organizing.

According to this year's selection committee, top-award winner Joy

represents many of those same qualities. Other south Tempe winners include

Stanley Nicpon, Calle de Caballos; **Gail Majors**, Raintree; **Kristin Shaeffer**, a volunteer at Fees Middle School; and **Mary Wolf-Francis**, Corona del Sol Estates.

Here is what their neighbors had to say about the nominees:

Jim Joy—If you need information, the person to call is Jim Joy. If you need a contact about landscaping at Stroud Park, call Jim Joy. Want information about an issue with the city, call Jim Joy. Need flyers distributed, call Jim Joy. Need help with



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Southeast Corner of Elliot & Rural in Tempe 909 East Elliot Road / 480-730-9009 the neighborhood bank account, call Jim Joy. Need half a mile of common walls painted, call Jim Joy. He'll be there and with a smile.

In Camelot Village, we have a handful of annual traditions. We hold an annual garage sale in the spring; we host a huge Fourth of July parade and picnic; we invite everyone to a festive Halloween party at Stroud Park and for Christmas Eve, we line our sidewalks with luminaries.

For all these activities, Jim was there to lend a hand in making the event memorable and building the sense of community in our neighborhood.

Jim's leadership and service to Camelot Village began when he moved to the neighborhood in the early 1990's. Jim organized a neighborhood Block Watch and went door-to-door each year to bring neighbors together for a Neighbors Night Out (now GAIN) activity.

He became an active member and leader in the Camelot Village Neighborhood Association and was president of the Association for several years.

One project in particular that made a strong impression on me. Our neighborhood was built in 1978 with a long stretch of common wall along Country Club Way. Over the years, the paint and stucco chipped away and needed to be repaired and repainted.



Top Neighbor honoree Jim Joy, 4th from left, receives his award from Mayor Hugh Hallman and members of the Tempe City Council.

Jim headed up this large undertaking by contacting the neighbors whose homes shared the common wall and obtaining money to fund the project. He also started a fund of "voluntary dues" contributed to by other neighbors who wanted to pitch in to make our neighborhood a more beautiful place. Jim worked with a team to have the repairs made, and, with the team, armed with paint sprayers, painted the whole wall.

I didn't realize it at the time, but Jim was showing me what I needed to do myself to take in a leadership role. We attended leadership training seminars together. He was teaching me in his quiet, patient manner, sharing his knowledge about how

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things get done. I was inspired to join the neighborhood board after a few years of watching how he did things. Jim contributed his time and energy to our Camelot Village neighborhood in a leadership role for more than a decade. He's stepped aside now, since he prepared the next generation of leaders to take over in his place. He left behind terrific memories of working together.

Gail Majors, nominated by the Raintree HOA— In our neighborhood, it all begins with Gail Majors. She may not realize the impact she has on us, but she is the driving force that keeps us together. Gail makes us more than neighbors or even friends, she makes us family.

In both civic and social events, we rely on Gail. She is our liaison with the City, spearheading numerous events, including Block Watch programs, safety meetings at the Pyle Center, a neighborhood newsletter, garage sales, and placement of a police car in the neighborhood when a rash of garage burglaries occurred, to name a few. She is also the impetus for Super Bowl parties, New Year's Eve parties, barbecues and other social events. Gail is responsible for forging bonds between and among neighbors.

After Gail retired from Motorola a few years ago, she became especially involved with the children in the neighborhood. She can often be found picking kids up from school, driving them to tennis lessons, or feeding them, simply because they like what they see in her refrigerator! Gail's green thumb has lead to the annual sweet potato harvest in her backyard. The kids emerge muddy from head to toe and have been known to jump right into Gail's pool!

What the kids (and adults) look forward to the most, though, is the annual Easter egg hunt. What Gail started with 4 or 5 families has grown exponentially. Charts and assignments, along with hundreds of plastic eggs, emerge from Gail's garage each year. The event culminates in a brunch that is amazing in its abundance.

Gail's husband, Ed, died unexpectedly on July 4. Despite this very difficult time, Gail has doubled her community efforts. She recently organized a sizable group discount with a pool company for 11 families to get their pools remodeled. She organizes regular "field trips" for anyone who is available at the moment – to the movies, a play, a restaurant, or a grand opening. And always with coupons for everyone!

Our neighborhood is forever indebted to Gail Majors. Gail is the heart, the engine, the driving force behind our camaraderie and cohesion. Because of her, we have avoided the fragmentation and apathy that affect so many neighborhoods. Under her guidance, we have created a village. Our homes are more welcoming, our children are safer, and, we are indeed a family...all thanks to Gail Majors.

Stanley Nicpon, nominated by Calle de Caballos —A neighborhood doesn't emerge simply as a result of building roads and homes, and having busy people running around to work, school and errands. It requires a sort of "social glue" to establish cohesiveness, and community bonding. Calle de Caballos is a unique, supportive, safe, peaceful, and flourishing neighborhood, thanks to the steadfast commitment, planning and enthusiastic efforts of our neighbor, Stanley Nicpon.

He arranges coordination of irrigation contractors to repair and clean out lines, and very often volunteers to repair, replace, or purchase new valve seals for the neighborhood. Our neighborhood safety is enhanced due to Stanley's steadfast monitoring of tree and bush growth along McClintock. He trims these trees and shrubs often, as well as many others in common areas, so that our entire neighborhood remains well-groomed and looked after.

On many occasions, we have witnessed Stanley quietly tending to many needed projects that have been avoided, fallen through the cracks or abandoned. Both Stanley and his wife, Jan, have served on the HOA Board of Directors as President and other positions several terms, putting in many hours to build a sense of community which will remain long into the future. Stanley's commitment to his neighborhood extends to his community at large as well. He was the former President, is a current member of the Downtown Tempe Community Association, has been appointed by the Mayor to sit on the Development Review Commission and serves on the NewTown Board, working land trust deals to help people in the lower income level to purchase homes. Stanley is very interested in the area of affordable housing for the "work force" income people in

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ur kitchens have long been the center of our homes. Many of us have happy memories of the wonderful aromas we remember when our mothers' were baking. And, since so much of our time is spent in our kitchens, it's natural that when considering remodeling or redecorating this space, you would want your décor to be comforting and satisfying – just like a great meal! It's also very important to be sure that your new redecorated kitchen reflects your likes and your personality.

Window treatments are a great addition to any kitchen and they can be made in many styles to complement your décor. In fact, more and more homeowners are opting for uniquely designed fabric top treatments, usually placed over a privacy treatment like wood blinds, cellular shades or pleated shades. Kitchen window treatments don't have to be 100% utilitarian. Swags and jabot treatments do have their place in the kitchen. Sometimes a simple scalloped valance in a patterned fabric, edged in a contrasting cording is just enough to add pizzazz to a ho-hum room. Stagecoach valances, mock throw swags, tabbed valances, all displayed on unique decorative rods, can really fit the bill too!

And don't forget those little special accents that give any room a total decorative look. You'll need to consider repeating your fabric selection in other areas of your kitchen for a truly coordinated look. How about adding some upholstered seat cushions or pillows on chairs? Tablecloths, placemats, table runners and coordinating napkins are also a must!

So have fun with your kitchen. Just remember, be sure to let your cooking personality and color

preferences shine through.

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CdS tennis in title race

By Alex Zener

Corona del Sol High School's No. 1seeded boys tennis team soundly beat No. 16 Mountain Ridge 5-0 in the first round of the 5A Arizona State Tennis Tournament April 14.

Then, on April 16, Corona won its match with No.9-seeded Desert Mountain by a score of 5-4, meaning that they'll face the winner of the No. 5 Red Mountain versus No. 4 Desert Vista match in Glendale on April 21.

Corona coach **Rick Wanta** has to be pulling his strings out, considering that this year's team is probably racquets-down the best varsity boys tennis team he's coached since he started at CdS 20 years ago.

This year's team started the season strong, taking the championship trophy at the Kiwanis Invitational in February against 32 teams.

The Aztecs continued their success by winning the 2008 City of Tempe Boys Tennis Tournament, compiling 57 total team points in late March.

The next closest team was Desert Vista, which came in a whopping 21 points under at 36 team points.

Mountain Pointe was third with 27 points, and Marcos de Niza finished fourth with 7 points.

Corona had three singles champions in the Tempe City tournament,

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- Stephen Denton / Wrangler News



David Farrell is among Corona-based lacrosse team members.

— Stephen Denton / Wrangler News

Hansen could bring winning inspiration Chances mount for state softball win

By Alex Zener

Call to be that senior catcher **Ashley Hansen's** cycle will be the phenomenon that helps give the Lady Aztec softball team the confidence it needs to go deep into the 5A state tournament and propel CdS once again into the championship finals?

The Corona girls softball team started the 2008 season with lofty ambitions, partly because CdS has a reputation for fielding good softball teams and partly because of the eight returning players, five of them starters from last season's team.

Corona softball teams have been in the 5A state tournament mix enough times over the past few years for the players and coaches to set their 2008 goal to be in the running to win another state championship. These expectations were knocked down a few pegs when Corona lost its home opener against Buena 3-8.

The Lady Aztecs seemed to get back on track by soundly whipping North Canyon 10-0 in their second game but then went out and lost to Xavier 0-5 in their third



Sports Notebook . . . with Alex Zener

Lacrosse contenders eye division playoffs

T's been said that history repeats itself. If that's the case, then a fun method of helping kids develop strong, athletic bodies and think quickly on their feet is being reincarnated with the emergence of an age-old sport: lacrosse.

Played by Native Americans hundreds of years ago, lacrosse is one of the fastest-growing team sports in the United States and is starting to gain some well-deserved recognition as a fresh, new sport for Arizona's kids.

It is estimated that 169,000 high school players nationally are involved in lacrosse—a number of which live in the Kyrene Corridor.

Altogether, 22 high school varsity teams, 22 high school JV teams and 22 junior high school teams compete in Arizona.

Although it's been part of America's sporting vernacular for a long time, what usually comes to the minds of most people in Arizona is Duke University, first, and second, it's some sort of ball game played on the East Coast.

Originally developed to help Native American men prepare for war, lacrosse combines basketball, soccer and hockey skills into a fast-paced, exhilarating game involving long sprints up and down the field where abrupt starts and stops and precision passes and dodges are part of the strategy.

The Aztec Lacrosse Club, founded in 2002 by **Cliff Prausa** and **Mark Burnside**, has since followed the national growth trend by watching its membership numbers and competitive prowess grow to 45 players at the JV and varsity high school level in 2008.

The club first competed as a junior high school team in 2003 and started competing at the high school level as Corona Lacrosse in 2005 in the JV division. The team moved up in 2006 to Varsity Division II and currently competes in the Arizona Youth Lacrosse League at the Varsity Division I level coached by **Craig Fertelmes.**

Aztec Lacrosse is not high school-sanctioned but rather a club team that competes against 10 other division I

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Ashley Hansen

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Our Neighborhood . . . with Tracy Doren Waggoner dilemma: Do we really need another fence?

encing surrounds us. We have our pool fences, our backyard fences, our Mexico border fences. Fences and gates around our neighborhoods. Whatever the real or imagined purpose, we seem to have fenced our world.

These barriers give us a certain sense of security, assuming that we feel better when we are fenced in.

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My question is this:

When a fence goes up, does it protect the kids or does it alienate a neighborhood? Waggoner Park is full of activity from dawn 'til dusk. School kids playing all day long give way to soccer practice in the evenings and birthday parties and pick-up basketball games on weekends.

In the past 40 years, Waggoner

has not had a playground incident related to the lack of a fence around the playground.

Knowing what I know of children, many see fences as something to be climbed: Once inside a fence, the other side beckons the explorer within.

How quickly can a seven-year-old climb a fence to get

a wayward soccer ball? My guess is we will see the day the barrier is complete.

Climbing accidents seem likely to follow fence



installation.

Likewise, the open and inviting sense of neighborhood may be changed by enclosing the area. People will be less likely to stop at a neighborhood park if there are only limited access points. A park that has been openly enjoyed by so many for such a long time likely will become an underutilized decoration once the walls go up.

Ballots have been sent home to Waggoner families to decide whether to fence-in the park.

Proponents say it will keep the kids safer; opponents see fencing as an unnecessary expense that will destroy the feeling of neighborhood the park now provides.

The fact is, the city of Tempe prefers an open park, so the \$20,000 cost of erecting a fence will fall on the school district.

That's a lot fund-raising for a result that will fence in our fears and fence out our neighbors. What do you think?

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Lacrosse

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club teams, mostly in the East Valley.

Corona Lacrosse, in its third varsity year, finished the regular season with an 8-5 record and in a four-way tie behind Brophy and Chandler Hamilton.

One of the club's most accomplished players takes pride in his Native American heritage.

"Playing lacrosse has been a long tradition in my family," **Jordy Patterson** said.

"I have several relatives that have played at the college and professional level. As a Native American, I am proud to play a game that my ancestors invented."

Patterson, who plays the midfield position, was introduced to lacrosse by his dad, and is one of the original Aztec Lacrosse Club players. He leads all Arizona Division I players this season in goals scored at 57, equaling 4.38 goals and 6.15 points a game. He also has 23 assists. Last week he scored seven goals in a 12-8 upset win over No. 2ranked Chandler.

"One of the strengths of our team is that we have an excellent goalie, **Zerric Butters**, and experienced attackmen and midfielders in **Will Allen** and **Dylan Dunlap** to help control the game," Patterson said.

Butters is ranked second in Division I goalie statistics. He has received 283 shots at the goal this season and saved 189, or about 67 percent, of them.

In a recent 7-4 upset win against Chaparral, Butters saved 17 shots on goal, drawing rave reviews from everyone watching the game, including Chaparral's coach.

In Division I South, Corona's Allen is No. 11 out of 64 ranked players with 19 goals; **Spencer Nelms** is No.12 with 17 goals.

What's more, Corona's **Cody Wagner**, Dunlap and **Matt Prausa** are ranked in the top 30, with each scoring at least nine goals and nine points in addition to their defense duties.

The Arizona Lacrosse season runs from mid-January through mid-April. Corona entered the state tournament this week ranked sixth in all Division I teams and played against the No. 3-ranked Mountain Pointe Pride on April 15.

Earlier in the season Corona lost by only one goal to the Pride in a close game 8-9. The winner of this firstround state tournament game was scheduled to play No. 1 Brophy on April 19 at Chaparral High School in the semi-finals. The finals are scheduled April 26 at Chaparral High School, and the Aztec players have every intention of playing that night.

"Our chances look really good to me to make it to the finals," Cliff Prausa said. "We have proven that we can play with any team in the league. Besides, I like being the underdog."

Prausa is also expecting to see several of the Aztec players on the 2008 all-stars team because so many of them started playing as youngsters when the club was founded in 2002 and are now juniors and seniors. In 2007, Corona Lacrosse had seven players selected to the all-stars team, including Patterson, Allen, Spencer Nelms, Matt Prausa, Dunlap, **Jarrod Wellman**, **Brock Ehrhart** and Butters.

One reason to play lacrosse could be to receive an athletic scholarship because lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in the NCAA.

For instance, Patterson is being recruited by several East Coast universities and will likely commit to a full-ride Division I scholarship to Syracuse University.

Lacrosse is open to all athletic abilities and sizes because kids don't necessarily have to be big and strong to play.

It is also fun to watch and can be a credible alternative to other sports for many kids.

Those interested in playing a fast-paced, physical sport that requires quick thinking and good stick work are invited to contact Cliff Prausa at tempelacrosse@aol.com. The Aztec Lacrosse Club offers a fall clinic that focuses on fundamentals for both returning and new players. Although the Aztec Lacrosse Club is for boys, several girls clubs have been formed in Arizona.

"We do not turn any interested players away," Cliff Prausa said.

More information about Arizona Lacrosse and the state tournament schedules can be found at the Arizona Youth Lacrosse League website at http://www.azlax.com/.



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Tennis

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with **Kyle Ogren** winning at the #4 position, **Daniel Larsson** at #5 and **Ben Duong** at #6. CdS also had two doubles champion teams with **Raghu Menon** and **Tanner Hatch** winning the #2 spot and at #3, Daniel Larsson and Ben Duong.

In addition, **Garret Dunn** finished second in the #1 singles position and Tanner Hatch finished second at the #3 singles.

The team of Garret Dunn and Kyle Ogren finished second in the #1 doubles spot.

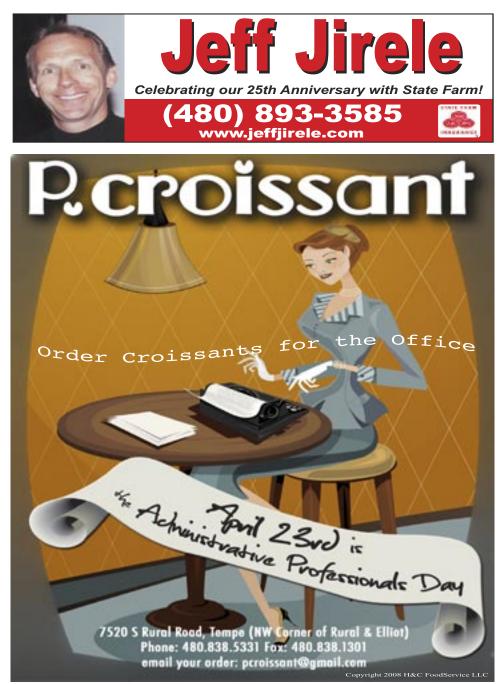
The Aztecs continued their domination defeating every team in the Central Region to be crowned the region champions outright. Over the regular season, CdS outscored their opposition 109 team points to 26. The only team match they lost was 3-6 against powerhouse Brophy early in February. Corona amassed 1525 total power points with Brophy coming in second at 1460 in the AIA's power-point system. If the No.1 seeding for the Aztecs and No. 2 seeding for Brophy plays out, the two teams will meet in the finals April 22 at in Glendale.

No.3-ranked Tucson Salpointe Catholic, with a 15-0 record, may be the spoiler by seeking its fifth straight state 5A title. Salpointe recently beat Brophy 7-1 in a California tournament but the results did not factor into the AIA power-point rankings.

Both CdS, with No. 4-seed Desert Vista and No. 8 seed Mountain Pointe in their Central Region, and Brophy, with No. 10 Scottsdale Desert Mountain and No. 16 Glendale Mountain Ridge in their Desert Valley Region, benefited in the AIA powerpoint rankings. None of Salpointe's regional foes, Casa Grande, Sierra Vista Buena or Tucson High, made the top 16.

For information, schedules and results for the Corona boys tennis teams go to Corona's athletic website at http://www.aztecathletics. com/.

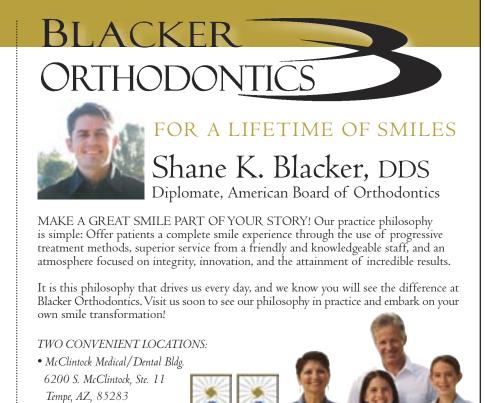
The state tournament bracket can be found at the Arizona Interscholastic Association site at http://www.aiaonline.org/story/uploads/ Tennis_5A_Div_I_Boys_Bracket_2008_Team_ 1208220559.pdf





Remember the Titans

Players from Corona del Sol and Marcos de Niza high schools, along with team members from Pueblo Middle School, captured title honors in the first annual National Youth Sports winter football league, made up of 14 teams from around the Valley. Players will be honored at a Tempe Titans team party and awards ceremony April 20. The Titans took a third seed into an eightteam playoff, defeating teams from Scottsdale, Avondale and Glendale. Freshman quarterback Jeffre Recker of Marcos de Niza hit Corona's Matt Wattel on a 34-yard TD pass early in the championship game. These two connected again for a two-point conversion after their second score, for a 14-12 victory. The Titan defense was led by Thomas McDonald, with 10 tackles and a key interception. Team members include, front, Matt Wattel (CdS); from left, kneeling, Gabriel Oliver (CdS); Thomas McDonald (Tempe Prep); Joseph Lamont (CdS); Tre Chambers (CdS); Matt Hayhurst (CdS); Isaac Kartz (CdS); Jeffre Recker (MdN); Demetrius Todd (MdN); Dominic Mercurio (Pueblo) and Steven Keller. Standing: Jacob Fruth (Pueblo); coaches Joshua North, Dave Monroe, Scott Thorp, Chuck Fruth and head coach Steve Hayhurst; Ryan Blom (CdS); Dillon Monroe (Pueblo); Matt Kwilosz; and Sky Archuleta (MdN). Mascots are Samuel Fruth and Melissa Hayhurst.



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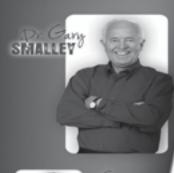
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Two area athletes continue their winning ways at Kansas Wesleyan

By David Toelle

Editor's note: After graduating from Corona del Sol High School in 2006, baseball standouts Casey Barnes and Ronny Romo decided they'd continue their winning record as college teammates. Here's an update on how they've been doing.

For the second straight week, two Kansas Wesleyan baseball players have swept the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference weekly awards as announced on Tuesday, April 8.

Casey Barnes is the KCAC Pitcher of the Week. It is Barnes' second time winning the award this season. The sophomore from Chandler pitched in two games, recording



Ronny Romo

a 2-0 record on the week with a 0.75 ERA. In a total of 12 innings pitched, Barnes allowed just one run and eight hits. He also struck out nine and walked just two.

In last KW's 14-0 win over Tabor College in Hillsboro, Barnes threw five innings for the complete game win in a run-rule shortened contest. He allowed just four hits, while striking out three and walking one.

In Saturday's 10-1 home win over Friends University, Barnes pitched a complete game, working seven innings, giving up four hits and one run while striking out six and walking just one.



Ronny Romo is the KCAC Player of the Week. The sophomore first baseman from Chandler, Ariz., hit .500 last week in six games (9-for-18) and had a .889 slugging percentage. He had one double and two homeruns during the week. In the April 7 doubleheader sweep of

Casey Barnes

Tabor, Romo went a combined 3-for-7 with 4 RBIs and one homerun. In a doubleheader sweep of Benedictine

(Kan.) two days later, Romo went o-for-3, but walked once in a pinch hitting appearance in game two. In the April 12 doubleheader sweep of Friends, Romo went 6-for-8 at the plate with one double and six RBIs, four of which coming on a mammoth grand slam in the bottom of the sixth inning of game two that blew things wide open for the Coyotes.

Kansas Wesleyan finished the week with a perfect 6-0 record, 4-0 against conference opponents. The Coyotes have won their last 14 contests after Monday night's sweep of University of Sciences and Arts of Oklahoma.

The Coyotes were due to be back in action April 9, facing Ottawa University.

David Toelle writes for KW's Sports Information Office.

High school standouts honored at All-City winter awards banquet

Fifteen Corona del Sol and six Marcos de Niza high school athletes have been recognized at the 2007/08 Winter Awards Banquet of the Tempe All-City Association.

The program also included the induction of former CdS basketball head coach Sam Duane into the TACA Hall of Fame. Duane retired in 2005.

Student athletes from Corona include **Mike McCoy**, Jordyn Wentis, Kasey Turner, Ryan Miller, Derek Felton, Luke Macchiaroli, Trevor Stapp, David Lutz, Colby Thornton, Brittany Cole, Courtney Mayers, Alexis Burkhart, Ashley Kniffen, Megan Larsen and Hailey Hayes.

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Concrete — Desert Concrete - Sidewalks, patios, slabs, driveways, small room additions. Call Jeff for a Free Estimate. 480-598-3088. 12/20

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Electrical — Rio Electric Multiple fan installations starting at \$45 per fan. 6" recessed can installation at \$80. We can do all residential electrical work! Call for more information: 480-620-0654. I/09

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Painting — Tyler's Decorating, specializing in interior painting, faux finishes, textured wall finishes, Venetian plasters and repainting cabinets. Color specialist/color consultations provided at an hourly rate. References available, meticulous in every way. Details make the difference! For a free estimate, call Tyler at 480-940-7775. 3/09

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Plumbing — Above All Plumbing Services. "Integrity in Plumbing." Commercial/Residential. Now serving the East Valley. Our goal is to be your plumber of choice for your every plumbing need. Call (602) 414-0880 today or visit us on-line at www.AboveAllPlumbingServices.com. ROC# 220963. See our display ad on these pages.

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Plumbing — Stevens Plumbing, Inc. Heating & Air Conditioning. Complete plumbing, heating and A/C service and repair. Electronic leak locating and slab leak repairs. Repipe and reroute experts. Sewer/drain video inspection & replacement. ROC#S082241C37. 480-345-2862. See our display ad on these pages.

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Housing

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Rentals — Mexican Vacation Condo—Rent by Owner. Ground floor 2-bedroom Las Palomas Beach & Golf Resort in Rocky Point. Special Rates for February. Heated pool & spas. Go to http://yourrockypointcondo. com/ for pictures and availability. Contact: rockypointcondo@cox.net. 7/19

Rentals — Roommate/s Wanted: 3br 2bth house with backyard, patio, 2-car garage, wash/dry, landscaped, security system. In Chandler, Ray/101. Easy access to frway, schools, shopping. \$500 per month + util. \$500 dep. Year lease. 480-231-3003. 5/3

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Announcements

HUGE Rummage Sale April 19th from 6:00 am to 11pm @ Desert Cross Lutheran Church 8600 S. McClintock Drive Tempe, AZ 85284. Stop by and shop at our huge collection of treasures. We have clothing,

furniture, sporting equipment, electronics, kitchen supplies, books and more! Desert Cross is located at 8600 S. McClintock, just north of Warner Rd on the west side of McClintock. 4/19

Neighbors

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our community.

Kristin Shaeffer, nominated by Shari Avers-It is my honor to nominate Kristin Shaeffer for the award of Neighbor of the Year. Kristin works tirelessly for our neighborhood and community. She is currently the Fees Middle School PTA President (and has children attending four different Tempe public schools.) In that position she has brought many parents, staff, and teachers together to help the school. She advocates for all families to get involved with the school and encourages conflict resolution by giving people a voice.

She is currently finding ways to showcase the school by helping parents recognize the strengths of Fees Middle School. In these days of more choices of schools and as parents are deciding where to send their children, Kristin is calling it the Mighty Fees, and reminding everyone of the excellent Orchestra program which makes it a "magnet" for many children, along with a strong Honors program, and many other strengths.

Kristin has also been one of the driving forces behind getting a new park put in near the schools. She has arranged for neighbors to come together and work with the city in deciding the best kind of park for our neighborhood.

(480) 893-6781

Our neighborhood is improving and people are taking an interest, in large part because of Kristin, and other neighbors like her.

These are only some of the ways Kristin is working tirelessly to make our neighborhood a better place for all families. She can be counted on to help out when needed and be there for her community. She embodies the characteristics of community building by empowering our neighborhood and encouraging others into action.

Mary Wolf-Francis, nominated by Corona del Sol Estates-For over a decade Mary has found it important to keep our neighborhood abreast of events happening within as well as outside our walls. She sends a monthly newsletter with information and issues affecting our community.

In January 2007, Mary was inspired by all of the updating of different Tempe neighborhoods and decided she would bring a new look to Corona Del Sol Estates. This was no easy task. With over 180 homes, a neighborhood association, convincing eight homeowners to allow work on their property, and raising \$100,000 for the project, Mary had big plans, but 9 months later the project was complete, under budget and with a very delighted community!

Mary's presented the idea to the community for support and commitment, solicited different ideas, and was instrumental in getting new elected neighbors on the board. Mary then solicited the expertise of our



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neighborhood to make the project work (i.e. Graphic Designer, Contractors, and Bankers and Attorneys). She understood with the neighbor's participation, they would feel ownership of the project.

Needless to say, there were times when some or all of the neighbors wanted to quit, but Mary would not see that as an option. She patiently soothed neighbors ruffled feathers when the discussion became heated, negotiated free plants from the City and calmed neighbors when contractors showed up without notice.

Mary's main goal was to get our neighborhood united in a project. It not only worked, it resulted in our neighborhood becoming a true neighborhood, where neighbors really do know each other. It has made our community stand out among those of South Tempe.

Family Science Day set April 22 at Changing Hands

Earth Day is coming up Tuesday, April 22, and Changing Hands will join the observance with a science day event designed to get kids and families interested in helping to spread earth awareness.

Since Earth and science are symbiotic, Changing Hands is combining both themes.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., families can dig up old bones, blow things up and participate in detective work.

Even better: live experiments that will be taking place using pop-bottle science, an interactive book and game for kids.

Science pros from ASU and the Tempe Police Department, among others, will be doing live experiments with kids.

Information: (480) 730-0205.





Screen Gems . . . with M.V. Moorhead

'The Visitor:' Only McCarthy's 2nd effort, it turns out to be year's best film so far

homas McCarthy's first film as writer/director, *The* Station Agent, was a gentle, eccentric comedy with a dash of poignancy. It was a very good movie, but his second, The Visitor, is that rarity among sophomore efforts: It's better. A lot better. It's probably the best American film so far this year.

Feel free to take my word for this. Don't suppose I'll be offended if you choose to stop reading now, before the synopsis I'm about to start in the next paragraph, and thus go into the picture, as I did, knowing next to nothing about it.

For those of you still with me: The central character of The Visitor is Walter Vale (Richard Jenkins), an economics professor at a college in Connecticut somewhere.

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game-also at home.

The Lady Aztecs never gave up, though, and seemed to only get stronger. Since their loss to Xavier they haven't stopped piling up the regular season wins.

Corona, with only five seniors including outfielder Kayla Taylor, outfielder Nicole Messer, first base Jodi Fanucci, and outfielder Shae Knowlton, has relied on the leadership from senior catcher Ashley Hansen, junior pitcher Jamie Pollak, and sophomore shortstop Vanessa Alvarez to keep them on track. Junior pitcher Marina **Carroll** has also thrown numerous strikes and fast balls from the pitcher's mound to keep Corona in the mix.

So far the Lady Aztecs seems to be getting closer to attaining their goal of making it back to the 5A state championship game.

Two weeks ago the Lady Aztecs were not even mentioned in any of the local newspapers but April 7 that all changed.

The Aztecs were ranked third by the Arizona Republic and then one week later shot up to No. 2, April 14.

Maybe it was senior catcher Ashley Hansen's cycle against Phoenix Central March 19 that started the upward spirals in the 5A rankings.

Hansen drove in 10 runs in the Aztecs' 22-0 win but it was her fifth hit--a grand slam--that gave her a cycle. Basically, Hansen was 4-for-4 with two singles, a double and a triple when she came up to bat for the fifth and final time with the bases loaded.

In order to get a cycle, she needed a home run. You guessed it! That's exactly what the Stanford-bound Hansen did.

The Lady Aztecs (20-6) kept winning after Hansen's cycle and were 4-0-0 in Central Region play entering the second week in April. Corona beat Mountain Pointe 8-1, April 4, getting help from some of the younger players. Leading hitters for Corona were junior second base Laura Bohning, 2 for 3, 1 RBI, sophomore shortstop Vanessa Alvarez, 2 for 3, 2 RBI and freshman first base Katie Tripp 2 for 4 with 1 RBI.

Corona then went on to soundly beat Desert Vista 12-1, with CdS amassing 14 hits to only 4 by the Thunder. Once again some of the younger players stepped up to the plate with sophomore outfielder/second base Madison Edwards leading all hitters going 3-3 with 4 RBI's. Another sophomore, third base/outfielder Desrae Gonzalez was 2-2 and junior pitcher Marina Carroll was 2-3.

One of the Lady Aztecs' biggest challenges was to be faced in the last two weeks of the regular season when they were due to play No. 1-ranked Basha three times at home, at Basha and then finish off the regular season April 23 against Basha at home.

In between CdS was scheduled to face Mountain Pointe at home April 18 and then be at Desert Vista April 22. All games start at 4 p.m.

Walter's a widower, so poleaxed by grief over the loss of his classical-pianist wife that he's barely conscious, teaching his stultifying courses on automatic pilot, ignoring his students, shuffling papers at his desk, pretending to work on his fourth book, and taking piano lessons, even though he has no talent for the instrument.

He keeps an apartment in New York, and when he unhappily agrees to present a paper at a conference, he enters it to find people living there.

The unwitting squatters—they rented the place in good faith from a rental scammer-are a young married couple of illegal aliens, Tarek (Haaz Slieman), a Syrian, and Zainab (Danai Jekesai Gurira), a Senegalese. Fearing they'll be reported to the police, they quickly and apologetically

leave, but Walter impulsively follows them outside and offers to let them stay at his place a while longer.

The warm, genial Tarek is a musician—he plays the African drum-and as a recompense for Walter's hospitality he begins to give the older man lessons. Walter takes to the instrument, and to his young houseguests, and gradually begins to revive. An alternative (and less forgettable) title for The Visitor could be Play That Funky Music, White Boy–Walter gives up on the piano, and soon he and Tarek are jamming with other musicians in Central Park.

Then, through an innocent misfortune in the subway, Tarek is arrested, and ends up in a detention center, awaiting probable deportation.

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Chloe Hacker, a sixth grader at Aprende Middle School, has qualified to dive at the USA Diving Spring Junior Championships at the University of Missouri in Columbia, Mo. She qualified as one of the top six divers at a regional meet and will travel to Missouri on April 24 with her team, the Sun Devil Divers.

— Photo by Shaun Marshall

Special Olympics benefit adds Harley-Davidson as Chandler 'Hog Ride' sponsor

Chandler Harley-Davidson has added its sponsorship to a two-day "Hog Ride" torch run benefiting Special Olympics Arizona.

The free event, which starts at 4 p.m. Friday, April 25, features a barbecue, disc jockey and appearances by the police bomb squad, SWAT team, K-9 corps, helicopter and other specialty units from Chandler and Phoenix PDs and the Department of Public Safety.

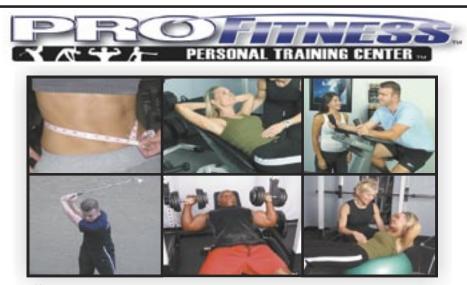
Activities culminate on Saturday with cyclist participants heading to six different points across the state to deliver the torches for the Arizona Law Enforcement Torch Run.

Festivities on Friday run until 7 p.m. The event is open to the public. The funds raised from the barbecue will help support training, competition, travel and lodging for Special Olympics athletes.

Location of the event is the Harley-Davidson store at 6895 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler.

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A tribute to Charlton Heston

By M.V. Moorhead

It hasn't always been easy for me to be a fan of Charlton Heston. Despite some admirable civil rights activism as a younger man, Heston, who died at 84 on April 5, became a pretty hard-core cultural conservative of a sort that gets on my nerves. But he is reputed to have been a nice fellow personally, and in any case I can't help it; I am a fan. Below are some highlights of his long career.

Though Heston's Hollywood debut came in the 1950 film noir *Dark City*, his signature parts were grand, epic figures, like the title roles in *Ben-Hur* (1959) and *El Cid* (1961), or Moses in *The Ten Commandments* (1956), a gig he's said to have landed when somebody pointed out his likeness to Michelangelo's statue of the Deliverer to director Cecil B. DeMille. Heston later played the very sculptor to whom he owed his best-known part in *The Agony and the Ecstasy* (1965). His star presence in these vehicles is extraordinary, but it isn't warm and accessible—he was never a James Stewart/Henry Fonda Everyman. He was more like a Michelangelo come to life.

Heston probably has even more fans for the tough, angry heroes he played in '60s and '70s sci-fi classics like *Planet of the Apes* and its sequel *Beneath the Planet of the Apes*—at the end of which he spitefully destroys the Earth!—*The Omega Man* and *Soylent Green*. He also played the hero (a Mexican!) of the delectable Orson Welles noir *Touch of Evil* in 1958.

In all of the above he embodied a furious masculinity that us geeky boomer-era wimps knew we couldn't live up to, leaving us no alternative but to snicker at him, defensively but also affectionately. He was at his best straining under terrible burdens; if Buster Keaton was The Great Stoneface, Heston was The Great Grimace. He showed a strangled bile even when he was happy—I defy anyone to keep a straight face at the scene in *Airport 1975* when, realizing that his ravaged stewardess-girlfriend (Karen Black) has figured out how to take the aircraft up, he joyfully spits "Climb, baby...Climb!" through his teeth.

I've always thought it was regrettable that Heston's interest in classical acting didn't amount to more. Early on, he played a small role in the famous 1947 Broadway production of *Antony and Cleopatra* for which Katherine Cornell won a Tony. He did some Shakespeare on TV, & he played Antony in two different film versions of *Julius Caesar* (both of little distinction).

But what a shame we never got to see his Lear, or his Prospero. In 1996, he appeared as the First Player in *William Shakespeare's Hamlet*, Kenneth Branagh's star-studded fulltext rendering. Heston turned the big "Priam and Hecuba" speech into a magnificent aria. It was one of the best things in the film, and it may have been the best screen acting he ever did.



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His beautiful and formidable mother, Mouna (Hiam Abbass), also an illegal, shows up in New York, and sure enough, she and Walter begin to develop a bond as well.

Thus, as with *The Station Agent*, this is a story of how seemingly mismatched people, thrown together by circumstance, will sometimes sort themselves into an ad hoc family. And also as in Station Agent, McCarthy tells his story in lean, subdued sequences that make fine use of silence.

Nonetheless, the film isn't some fragile, selfcongratulatory art house item. It has a fierce political streak as well, which comes out powerfully as Walter attempts to navigate the opaque and sinister bureaucracy of U.S. immigration policy. The scene in which he finally explodes at the officials is a stirring-and patrioticreproach to the practice of flouting the basic rights of detainees in the name of "protecting" the public. Walter earns the right to his anger: It isn't just about the illtreatment of Tarek, but about the betrayal of this country's ideals.

It's a movingly written scene, still more movingly performed by Richard Jenkins. Probably best known as the spectral father on Six Feet Under, Jenkins is a reliable general-purpose actor who has spent the last three decades prolifically playing detectives, federal agents, doctors, clergymen, attorneys and the like, while rarely getting to use more than a quarter of his talent. All of the acting in The Visitor is excellent, but McCarthy's decision to give the juicy lead role to Jenkins should get him some good-karma points. And if there's any justice, this performance will get Jenkins an Oscar nomination.



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In 2003, Tillman's friends and family created Pat's Run as a way to celebrate his legacy for living a life of passion while raising awareness and funding for the Pat Tillman Foundation.

Last year, nearly 15,000 runners, walkers, volunteers and spectators participated in Pat's Run, setting a new attendance record. Proceeds benefit the Pat Tillman Foundation and its youth leadership programs which promote positive action to benefit the community. Funds raised benefit the Leadership Through Action program at ASU.

The run starts (chip timed) at 7 a.m.; the walk begins at 7:30; and the kids run/walk starts at 9:15.

Information: www.patsrun.com/tempe.

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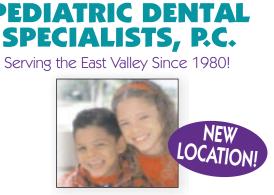
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Races are held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Hayden Ferry, just east of Tempe Beach Park. The event is free for spectators.

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