

Fountain Spouts



Happy birthday, Mayor Jay!

He is Mayor, Father, Husband, Brother, Son, Uncle, Coach, Qwest Employee and Volunteer. Now he also is apparently the newest recruit for the 'Harlem Ambassadors' professional traveling exposition basketball team...He needs 44 spankings this year, so when you see him, give him a wallop. Love, Denise, Carly, Tim and Daphne the Dog.



Dog Park guys go cruising...

These Dog Park regulars – Jim Shepherd, Joe Huske, Jim Mulleady and Frank Serpico – meet for dinner at sea on a cruise after temporarily leaving their faithful canines with competent pet sitters at home in Fountain Hills. It has been suggested that this crew might not be recognized as from the Dog Park because they have cleaned up so well...

Band

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"I'm really proud of all of them," Truby said. "I encourage them to keep doing what they've been doing, keep their eyes on their goals and keep moving forward."

"I'm sure they will be an asset to any program or whatever they decide to pursue after high school."

Hanford and his fellow all-region musicians closed with a few words of wisdom and encouragement.

"I encourage anyone interested in music to explore that," Hanford said. "Pick up a cheap guitar or keyboard and just do it. Make that 'one day' today."

Kuchan directed his comments to the Falcons he will be leaving behind.

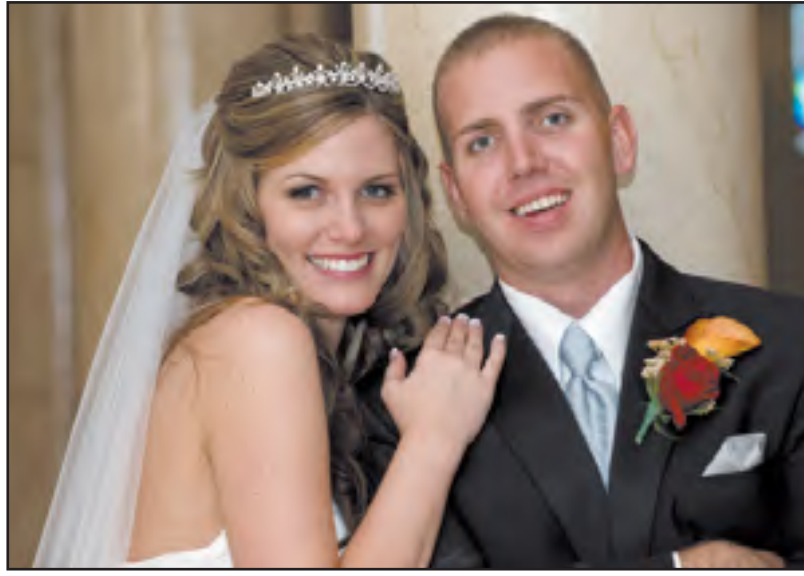
"Don't be worried," Kuchan said. "Keep building up what we and others have made. Also, thanks to everyone who has been a part of these last four years. You are amazing musicians."

Barry said he and the rest of the boys will most likely go on to do different things, but they have always been a tight-knit group. In the future, he hopes this tradition continues in the FHHS band program.

"I just hope there continues to be people who really care about this band and keep it going," Barry said.

McKenna agreed, saying who he and the rest of the 2008-09 all-region musicians consider the best for last.

"Thanks again to Mrs. Truby for making it all possible," McKenna said. "She's been there every step of the way, and we're grateful for that."



Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Anderson (Laura Amdahl)

Laura, Matthew are married

Laura Lea Amdahl and Matthew Steven Anderson were united in marriage on Oct. 18, 2008 at St. Bernard Of Clairvaux Catholic Church in Scottsdale.

A reception followed at The Westin Kierland Resort in Scottsdale for 200 family members and friends.

Laura is a 2002 graduate of

Fountain Hills High School.

Parents of the couple are Joel and Nancy Amdahl and Bob and Peggy Frazier, all of Fountain Hills, and Steve and Geri Anderson of Hoffman Estates, Ill.

Following a honeymoon trip to Maui, Hawaii the couple resides in Fountain Hills.

A grand baby shower...

It was a grand baby shower Feb. 21 for Sophia, the first grandchild for Ken Jr. and Gwenn Sigsworth and great-grandparents Ken Sr. and Helen Sigsworth, all of Fountain Hills.

Proud parents to be Brad and Renee's little bundle of joy, Sophia, will be born March 31 at 9:30 a.m.

All enjoyed the beautiful

shower hosted by Auntie Rhonda Sigsworth of Gilbert. A grand time was had by all! They know Sophia will love her little outfits and toys.

Grandpa Ken Jr. mentioned things her mommy did when she was little. He promises to teach her to play the drums, piano and guitar at an early age – and then how to bowl! He can't wait....



Enjoying Sophia's baby shower were, from left, Daddy Brad, Mommy Renee, Great-Grandma Helen, Auntie Rhonda (front), Great-Grandpa Ken Sr., Grandpa Ken Jr. and Grandma Gwenn.

Art Walk on Saturday

The Fountain Hills Art League will have another Art Walk on Saturday, March 7.

The walks are held on the first Saturday of each month through May, weather permitting.

The Art Walk will be held lakeside and behind Plaza Fountain at El Lago and Saguaro boulevards from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Many of the exhibiting artists have won awards in juried and non-juried shows around Fountain Hills and Scottsdale, and several have their work in the Fountain Hills Artists' Gallery on Avenue of the Fountains.

Needless to say, the quality of art is exceptional and varied. Stroll the beautiful lake-

side plaza and view paintings, photography, sculpture, mixed media, jewelry and many other artistic and imaginative items – all created by artist members of the Fountain Hills Art League.

Rosalie Lazarus, a portrait artist who has won many awards, will again be offering 30-minute portraits in charcoal for \$30. She also has a special offer – free portrait of those in the military. Come with a photo of the serviceperson in uniform, and you will be informed when the portrait is finished.

Several en plein air artists will be working in paint, pastel and sculpture for those who enjoy watching an artist at work.

Book

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have a personal stake in seeing that the consumer receives a fair and timely settlement."

"Every time I heard the insurance sales pitch on TV about how....it's so simple a caveman could do it, I think of all the difficult and complex claims we have helped settled. Every time I see that little green lizard on TV who is everyone's friend and knows all about insurance, I think about how complex the insurance product really is."

Technology makes it possible for Tompkins to divide his time between his Emerald Drive home and Minot, N.D. office. He learned to fly in high school and acquired his pilot's license in 1968. He didn't fly for about 20 years but resumed in 1999 and has logged about 2,000 hours.

He can span the distance between North Dakota and Fountain Hills in five hours in the Cessna 340 he hangs at Williams Gateway airport. A newly purchased jet will further reduce travel time.

He enjoys taking aerial photos

of farms for his clients and advertising. In the 2004 gubernatorial campaign, he flew former North Dakota Gov. John Hoeven to political appearances.

Tompkins believes tremendous opportunities exist in the current economy. He has insured newly purchased Phoenix area homes of six North Dakota friends in the last couple of weeks. He bought one insurance agency this year and plans to acquire another. He has five job openings to fill.

"When they write the story of this depression, they'll say it is the depression that we created ourselves," observed Tompkins.

"Ultimately, if people don't believe in the system, they don't buy that car and pretty soon it becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy. I'm very bullish but I'm not over extended."

He has written a second book of poems and short stories. Half of a sequel to "The Insurance Wars" is completed in which he discusses, among other topics, transferring ownership of a business.

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