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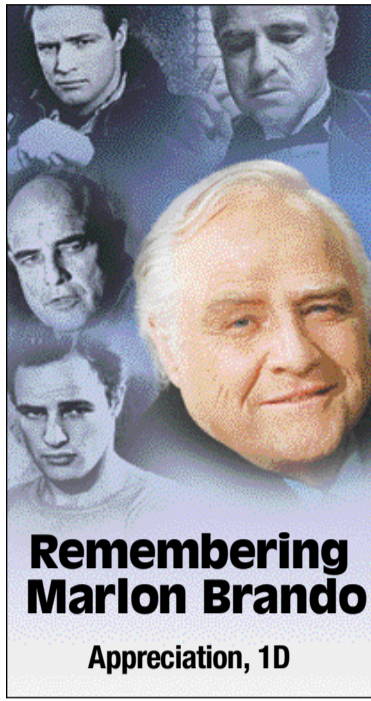
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LOCAL

Border Patrol claims 80% rate of capture

Vandals destroy homes of owls

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Remembering Marlon Brando

Appreciation, 1D

WEEKEND

CALENDAR

Freedom Festival

Headliner Clint Black is joined by Chely Wright, Shannon Lawson and Troy Olsen at this country music extravaganza and fireworks show.

When: Tomorrow. Gates open at 2:30 p.m., fireworks follow 8:30 p.m. concert. Where: Rillito Park Race Track, North First Avenue at East River Road. How much: Tickets are \$25 on the day of show; kids 5 and younger admitted free.

Information: Check out www.kiimfm.com

Fourth of July concert

This event features world music by Glympse and traditional territory songs and stories by the Santa Cruz River Band.

When: 7 p.m. tomorrow. Where: The historic Stone Avenue Temple, 564 S. Stone Ave. How much: Admission is \$5 for adults, free for children 10 and younger.

Information: 670-9073.

What to rent today

"Cold Mountain" - Jude Law, Nicole Kidman and Oscar winner Renee Zellweger star in this Civil War tale.

"Barbershop 2: Back in Business" - A slick franchise salon threatens Ice Cube's neighborhood shop. Cedric the Entertainer (right) and Queen Latifah co-star.

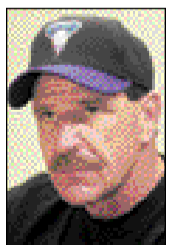
"The Perfect Score" - Teens plot to steal SAT exam answers in this caper featuring Scarlett Johansson.

"Die Mommie Die!" - Jason Priestly is a gigolo in writer/star Charles Busch's cult comedy about an aging pop diva.



SPORTS/1C

Ex-Winders skipper to head D'backs



Al Pedrique (far left) replaces Bob Brenly as manager for Arizona, which last night took over sole possession of last place in the National League West, 16 games behind San Francisco.

WEATHER

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Burgers will cook, but you won't. Temperatures through the holiday weekend will be about normal for Tucson at Fourth of July: sunny with a high near 100. The forecast will remain the same through much of next week. Yesterday's high, 101.

MONDAY

Finding freedom Former Vietnamese refugee finds success and happiness in America. In Living

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INDEPENDENCE DAY 2004

Our newest citizens

From Mexico, China, Somalia, Croatia, Ethiopia they've come: In mass ceremony at TCC, 444 Americans are minted

Ana Ramos (center) and Areceli Perez (right) celebrate their citizenship after taking an oath of allegiance to the United States. Both women were born in Mexico.

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- TAKE THE TEST: Typical questions from citizenship examination. WHERE TO GO FOR HELP: Addresses for obtaining citizenship applications. "I HEREBY DECLARE": The Oath of Citizenship. ORIGINS: Where new citizens were born.

They love this country, want to vote, enjoy benefits

By LUKE TURF and SHERYL KORNMAN news@tucsoncitizen.com

Today marks a new beginning for Quintus Schulzke, Leo Lopes and thousands of others from sea to shining sea.

Schulzke, a 29-year-old software engineer from Canada, and Lopes, also 29, a University of Arizona professor from Brazil, are two of Tucson's newest U.S. citizens.

They were among 444 people from more than 60 countries sworn in yesterday at the Tucson Convention Center. Similar ceremonies took place in cities from coast to coast.

In Tucson, former Mexicans, Croats, Ethiopians, Bosnians, Chinese, Somalians and others from around the world pledged their allegiance to the United States and renounced their allegiance to any foreign prince, state or sovereignty.

Lopes and Schulzke are among more than 16,000 men, women and children raising their right hands in Fourth of July weekend ceremonies across the nation, said Sharon Rummery, a spokeswoman for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Those taking part in the Tucson ceremony represented 61 countries. Two-thirds of them are from



New citizens, their friends and family pack the Tucson Convention Center yesterday. More than 60 nations were represented in the ceremony.

COMING MONDAY Revering the flag

The symbol of America is being displayed in more ways - and with more fervor - than ever.

Mexico, Rummery said. Maria Carmen Vallejo, 36, was



Felix



Lopes

I've always wanted to be an American citizen. I love this country.

- Norma Irene Felix, 51. She was born in Cananea, Son., and has lived in Arizona for 19 years.

I really felt like it was a personal aggression, and that's when I thought I should be a U.S. citizen.

- Leo Lopes, a Brazilian who decided to become naturalized after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks

Officials: Cost of annexation likely swap-out for residents

By OSCAR ABEYTA oabeyta@tucsoncitizen.com

Annexation of developed areas in the Catalina foothills would likely cost residents there no extra money, but officials say the people added to the city would bring more state money to the city and region.

Homeowners in those areas would likely see increases in some bills but decreases in others that would result in little or no change in their monthly expenses.

A home valued at \$200,000 - approximately the median value in

those areas, according to the 2000 census - would pay \$237 more a year in property taxes under the current levies.

Homeowners would also trade a monthly trash fee of between about \$14 and \$20 paid to a private company for a \$14 monthly trash fee paid to the city. That city service includes recycling and brush and bulky collection twice a year.

At least one trash collection service in the county - Waste Management - does not charge extra for

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CALCULATE YOUR COSTS (fill in the blanks)

Table with 3 columns: Item, Current, If annexed. Rows include County property taxes, Fire protection subscription, Garbage, City utility sales tax, Total.

Nader out in AZ

He falls 550 names short of making ballot



Nader

By C.T. REVERE crevere@tucsoncitizen.com

Independent presidential hopeful Ralph Nader will not be on Arizona's November ballot after lawyers for his campaign

withdrew his nomination petitions.

"A review of signatures by the Secretary of State's office finds the campaign is approximately 550 signatures short of the sufficient numbers to satisfy the signature requirements," states a news release from Nader's campaign.

The decision comes in the face of a challenge by state Democrats.

After the withdrawal, Maricopa County Superior Court Judge Mark Armstrong ruled that Nader is not eligible for the presidential ballot in Arizona.

State Democratic Party chairman Jim Pederson said withdraw-

ing was the only honorable thing Nader could do.

"Every candidate - Democrat, Republican or independent - must follow the laws of Arizona in order to run for office," Pederson said in a prepared statement. "After realizing his operatives had failed to follow the necessary procedures or collect the requisite signatures, Mr. Nader had no other choice but to withdraw his bid to be placed on the Arizona ballot."

Arizona law requires 14,694 valid signatures to get on the presidential ballot. Democrats challenged the vast majority of Nader's 21,512 signatures in a suit filed June 23.

Nader campaign spokesman Kevin Zeese, in a news release, called the state's signature requirement "a harshly restrictive law."

The Nader campaign claims the law requires an excessive number of signatures and has ambiguous wording with unclear instructions, among other complaints.

