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Time Out



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Packing A Punch

Senior-to-be Diana Woodruff is listed at 5'4" in the Lady Prospector basketball program and an even five foot on the school's volleyball website. I'm guessing the latter is closer to the truth. But what Diana may lack in height, she makes up for with desire, determination and hard work.

Diana is usually the sixth or seventh player for the AJHS basketball squad and comes off the bench and gives you six to ten minutes of solid effort. During her time on the court, it would not be unusual for her to grab three or four rebounds, come up with a couple of steals, hand out an assist and score a bucket or two.

If they allowed climbing on the net in volleyball, I'm sure Diana would make for an outstanding middle blocker or outside hitter. But they don't. So instead, she honed her defensive skills in the backcourt and this past season led the Lady Prospectors with 376 digs and was tied for third in service aces with 10. They even have her listed as recording two



One of several athletic uniforms worn by AJHS senior-to-be Diana Woodruff.

**AJHS Baseball Defeats
Marcos de Niza, 14-2**

By Chuck Baker
The News

The Prospector baseball squad played four away games this past week, including picking up an impressive 14-2 victory over Tempe Marcos de Niza on Wednesday. Apache Junction also fell to Tempe McClintock 5-2 on Monday, lost a 9-6 decision Tuesday at Gilbert Mesquite, and fell to Mesa Skyline under the lights Thursday evening by a 9-3 score.



Apache Junction's Johnathan Converse watches a ball he hit during a recent Summer game.

Tyler Tyson tossed four solid innings to pick up the pitching victory over Marcos de Niza. Nathaniel Gingrich and Nick Saathoff finished the game off pitching in relief.

Top players this past week according to AJHS coach Preston English were David Sandoval, who had a multi-hit game in the win over Marcos de Niza and also collected at least one hit in the three other games, Brian Drennan, who recorded four runs batted in

during the week, Kyle Stothart, who had three hits at the plate and four solid innings of pitching in the Mesquite game, and Tyson for his efforts in the win over Marcos de Niza.

Josh Mullenix, Gingrich and Sandoval all pitched in the McClintock game, John LaChapelle, Stothart and Tyson threw from the mound against Mesquite, and Josh Marsh, Mike Davalos, John Hanson and Drennan were the AJHS pitchers in the Skyline game.

This week, Apache Junction will play at Williams Field on Monday, June 15, returns home to host Higley on Tuesday, June 16 and host Tempe Corona Del Sol on Wednesday, June 17, and will play this Friday through Sunday, June 19-21, in the Blue Ridge Tournament.

Apache Junction then wraps up their Summer action the following week, hosting Williams Field on June 24 and playing June 25-27 in the Mesa Mountain View tournament.



Prospector southpaw Tyler Tyson shows a big leg kick with this pitch to home during a recent Summer game.

**AJHS Girls Rolling
In Summer Softball**

Sara Cranmer barely misses 'cycle' in game vs. Williams Field

By J.J. Digos
The News

The Apache Junction Lady Prospectors softball team continued to improve last week, with three strong games on Wednesday morning and Thursday evening in the Tempe Summer League.

On Wednesday morning at Mesa Skyline High School, the Lady Prospectors faced

the Mesa Mountain View Toros. The week before, senior pitcher Shelby Olson struck out 19 Toros batters in the 4-1 win in Tempe. Her hot streak continued Wednesday. In three innings pitched she struck out six consecutive batters before being pulled for rest by Coach Ed Matlosz.

Number two pitcher Me-

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Lady Prospector Anjelica Montgomery makes contact with this pitch in a Tempe Summer League game from last week. (photo by J.J. Digos)

**Lady Prospectors Win Two
More In Summer Hoops**

By Chuck Baker
The News

The Lady Prospector varsity basketball team racked up two more wins in the Mesa Skyline Summer League, downing Skyline 37-18 and Mesa Mountain View 44-21 to improve to 5-1.

Apache Junction showed a terrific defense in the win over Skyline, pulling away to a commanding 21-6 lead at halftime and then cruising to the easy win.

Sierra Aulik tossed in 12 points to pace the Lady Prospectors. Sara Cranmer contributed with 11 points and seven rebounds, Melissa Ochoa netted 6 points and added four rebounds, Jessica Iniguez scored 4 points, Monica Geer added a bucket and came up with five steals, Jade Yost tossed



Melissa Ochoa (left in dark jersey) and Sara Cranmer (right in dark jersey) battle a Skyline player for a rebound in last Tuesday's Summer League.

in two free throws to go with three assists, and Kylie Bockskay pitched in with six rebounds, two assists and

two steals. The second game against see **Hoops**, page B-6

**Former AJHS Lineman Tourangeau
To Start For MSU-Moorhead**

By Chuck Baker
The News

Former Prospector football, wrestling and track and field star Zach Tourangeau has been penciled in as the starting left offensive tackle following Spring football practice for the Minnesota University Moorhead Dragons, according to the school's website.

Tourangeau, listed as a 6-2, 295-pound sophomore business major, red-shirted at MSU-Moorhead in 2007 as a true freshman and played a backup roll in 2008 but will be starting on the left side of a "rebuilt Dragon offensive line."

Tourangeau graduated from Apache Junction in 2007 where he was a two-time All-Region lineman in football and selected to the All State team as a senior. Zach also won a



Former Prospector three-sportstar Zach Tourangeau will be starting at offensive left tackle this Fall for the Minnesota State University-Moorhead Dragons. (photo from MSU-Moorhead Web site)

State Championship title in wrestling his senior season at AJHS, was a two-time region wrestling champ and was a two-time region champion in track and field in the discus event.



Zach's senior football photo.



Zach competing in the discus throw for AJHS.



Zach as a senior wrestler winning yet another match.



Zach just after receiving his region track champion medal in discus.

**Little League All Stars
Begin This Week**

Four of the eight Apache Junction Little League All Stars will begin their District 7 Tournament play this week. The Minor Boys Baseball 9 & 10 and 11 & 12 All Stars, as well as the Minor Girls Softball 9 & 10 and 10 & 11 All Stars all begin this week at various locations.

The Major Baseball 11 & 12, Major Softball 11 & 12, Junior Baseball 13-15 and Junior Softball 13-15 All Stars will all begin their District 7 Tournament play the week of June 30.

Below are the schedules for the Apache Junction Little League All Stars beginning this week. For more information, you can visit the Arizona District 7 Little League official website at www.azd7.com.

Baseball 9 & 10 All Stars

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Site
Mon.	6-15	Mesa Westwood	7:30	CS
Tue.	6-16	Four Peaks	7:30	CS
Wed.	6-17	Red Mtn Amer.	5:30	CS
Thur.	6-18	Semifinals	5:30	CS
Thur.	6-18	Semifinals	7:30	CS
Fri.	6-19	Championship	6:00	CS

CS = Countryside Park, 1120 S. 32nd St., Mesa

Baseball 10 & 11 All Stars

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Site
Sat.	6-20	Red Mtn. Amer.	7:30	CS
Mon.	6-22	Mesa Southern	5:30	CS
Tue.	6-23	Four Peaks	5:30	CS
Wed.	6-24	Semifinals	5:30	CS
Wed.	6-24	Semifinals	7:30	CS
Thur.	6-25	Championship	6:00	CS

Softball 9 & 10 and 10 & 11 All Stars

As of this past Saturday morning, the brackets for the Softball 9 & 10 All Stars and the 10 & 11 All Stars had not been posted on the www.azd7.com website. Please check back today at the website and brackets should be completed.