Happenings in the Kyrene Corridor

Online degrees coming to MCC

Starting this summer, Mesa Community College will offer more than 20 online degrees and certificates following approval of its plan by the Higher Learning Commission.

MCC submitted an application to the commission last fall, seeking approval to offer degree and certificate programs via distance delivery.

A site visit was conducted by HLC in October.

Formal notification of HLC's approval to expand distance learning education to include 100 percent degree programs was received recently.

While MCC has offered online classes for several years, students will now have the opportunity to complete a degree fully online. Currently, the college offers more than 500 eLearning classes through Internet, hybrid or Web-enhanced delivery methods, which allow students convenient and flexible options to advance their education.

"This is a significant milestone for MCC," said MCC President Dr. Shouan Pan. "Our focus on academic excellence, student success and student support in the virtual environment is paramount to helping students achieve their educational ambitions."

Information: 480-461-7700 or mesacc.edu/elearning

Kajukenbo to train state employees

Kajukenbo Arizona, with Chandler/Gilbert and Mesa/Tempe locations, has been named the exclusive martial arts provider for the state of Arizona's 17,000 employees and their families.

Students with state-issued ID cards will receive a 10 percent discount on training at either location.

The program is open to students ages 12 and up who participate in a team sports program at their school. Students can join the program at a discounted rate of \$50 per month (paid

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