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U.S. Army Specialist Cory Tickner, 20, is a heavy machine gunner serving in the 82nd Airborne.

## College lockdown drill scares neighbors

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PRESCOTT – Neighbors along north Mount Vernon Street said they were startled about 9 a.m. Thursday when they heard a loud announcement telling them a lockdown was in progress.

Virginia Glasgow said she and her neighbors went outside after their dogs started barking to see what was going on.

“Then we heard this really loud (announcement): ‘Get to a secure location. This is a lockdown,’” Glasgow said. “My

89-year-old neighbor is very fragile and she was scared.”

“Many people called the police after hearing a test of Yavapai College’s public address system earlier this morning,” said Lt. Andy Reinhardt, spokesman for the Prescott Police Department.

Katie Hoeschler, communications and marketing manager for Yavapai College, said the loud announcement neighbors heard was “a test of the college’s emergency preparedness procedure,” not

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## Army soldier who grew up in Prescott recovering at Walter Reed

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U.S. Army Specialist Cory Tickner, 20, a heavy machine gunner serving in the 82nd Airborne who grew up in Prescott, is recovering at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., after being injured in Afghanistan on July 1.

Cory attended Lincoln Elementary, played football at Prescott Mile High Middle School and studied at Prescott High School for a year, said his grandmother, Susan Fitzgerald, of Prescott.

Cory was injured during a firefight near Kandahar

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Les Stukenberg, file/The Daily Courier

Heavy Air Tanker 07 drops a load of retardant on the northern edge of the Lane II fire near Crown King on June 30, 2008.

## Man gets probation for starting wildfire

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A judge has sentenced a Yuma man to 60 months of probation and 150 hours of community service for igniting the Lane II wildfire that forced the evacuation of hundreds of people in the Crown King area in 2008.

David Cygan, 53, also must stay off federal lands unless he’s with a “responsible adult.” He has to participate in mental health and substance abuse programs, submit to substance abuse tests

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## Alarm ordinance, new solid waste law on Prescott council agenda

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PRESCOTT – An alarm ordinance that Prescott City Manager Steve Norwood says would borrow from the policies of other communities will be the recommendation of the Prescott Police Department next week.

The alarm ordinance is one of four issues that the Prescott City Council will discuss during a workshop at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Prescott City Hall, 201 S. Cortez St.

In mid-June, the City Council heard a police presentation pointing out that officers were responding to thousands of false alarms every year. And with an outdated alarm ordinance in

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## World Arts Festival changes name, venue

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PRESCOTT VALLEY – The World Arts Festival is undergoing a name change and will share a roof with the Creative Energy Fair Oct. 9 at Tim’s Toyota Center.

The Prescott Valley Arts and Culture Commission changed the festival’s name to Fall for the Arts in response to feedback from vendors and the public, Parks and Recreation Director Brian Witty said. He added commissioners chose to change the location from the Civic Center grounds to the events center because the arena would provide “a more secure environment” from the weather.

Combining the fall fest with the energy fair also will provide “a good, cooperative environment,” Witty said.

“You can come to be educated with regard to renewable energy, and you can come to Fall for the Arts and see all the natural and organic applications that have been created into works of art,” he said.

Scheduling both events at the same location and time – from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. – will boost overall attendance, said town plan-

ner Ruth Mayday, who is organizer the third annual energy fair. Admission is free to both events.

“They are both fun events,” Mayday said. “They are both geared toward families.”

Mayday helped to organize the first fair in 2008 in response to a meeting Town Manager Larry Tarkowski arranged to seek ideas from the public on jump-starting the economy and reducing dependence on fossil fuels. The fair has featured vendors who promoted bio-fuels, solar heating and cooling, and other consumer services that encourage energy conservation.

By contrast, the World Arts Festival provided Mexican music, a hip-hop dance troupe, other entertainment, and vendors who sold Native American artwork and other goods. It marked its seventh season in 2009.

Fall in the Arts will feature local musicians and other entertainers, Witty said.

Witty said music therapist Persephone will return with her show for children, adding participants will get a chance once again to paint an expansive canvas.

Unlike in 2009, event organizers will not try to

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Salem Soma, 7, splashes paint on a canvas for the “Plunge for the World Record” painting during the 2009 World Arts Festival in Prescott Valley.

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