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Ass't. chief, sergeant demoted

3 more suspended; all avoid charges

By Joe Burchell and Inger Sandal
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Assistant Tucson Police Chief Daniel Sharp and a patrol sergeant were demoted yesterday for mishandling the investigation of Capt. Kevin Danaher's alleged drunk driving crash.

Those two officers were suspended. All five avoided criminal charges, however.

"There were mistakes, but it wasn't criminal conduct," Pima County Attorney Barbara Lavall said.

Police Chief Douglas Smith said some officers and their commanders handled the crash "without regard to their duty to the public service and without adherence to the values of this agency."

"My responsibility is to ensure that their conduct is not condoned or tolerated," he said.

Danaher triggered the inquiry into how police responded to a possible crime by one of their own when his BMW was stopped by police on April 8. He faces two DUI charges as well as likely departmental sanctions as soon as next week, Smith said.

Danaher, 44, who suffered a fractured hip, remains on paid medical leave.

Mayor George Miller, who was notified of the disciplinary actions about 90 minutes before they were made public, said he expected none of the officers would be fired or charged with a crime.

He added that for higher-ranking officers, the effect of this type of discipline on their careers can be

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Assistant Chief Daniel Sharp
\$81,062 base pay. Demoted one rank to captain. Captains are paid \$45,000 to \$75,600.

Lt. Charles Amulji
\$55,473 base pay. Suspended 10 days, docked \$2,134.

Sgt. James W. Dresall
\$43,439 base pay. Demoted one rank to officer. Officers are paid \$29,400 to \$40,392.

Sgt. James C. Webb
\$41,389 base pay. Demoted one rank to officer. Officers are paid \$29,400 to \$40,392.

Officer Geraldine Ortiz
\$28,494 base pay. Suspended one day, docked \$148.

Dad dies to save son, 2

By Inger Sandal
The Arizona Daily Star

It has been warmer in the 1990s than at any time since the end of the Middle Ages, according to a leading research meteorologist.

Three of the past eight years — 1990, 1993 and 1995 — were warmer than the Northern Hemisphere than in any year since at least A.D. 1400, according to researchers who plot levels of carbon dioxide and other so-called greenhouse gases are likely responsible.

The University of Arizona and University of Massachusetts researchers used data from more than 100,000 thermometers, radiosondes, weather balloons and satellite records, along with historical records, to reconstruct global temperature in the Northern Hemisphere over the last 600 years.

They found that temperatures in the Northern Hemisphere have been 1.3 degrees higher than the average temperature in the 500 years that preceded 20th-century warming.

Data from more than 100 sites around the world were used in the study, reported in today's edition of the scientific journal *Nature*, said a comprehensive study of its kind ever undertaken, said Malcolm Hughes, director of the UA Laboratory of Tree-Ring Research and one of the paper's three authors.

"I would say this is supporting

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In tomorrow's Star

Title doesn't tell all
Robert Downey Jr. stars with Natasha Gregson Wagner (Natalie Wood's daughter) and Heather Graham in a thriller in "Boogie Nights" and "Two Girls and a Guy."

Softball slugger
Happily married, Arizona senior outfielder Alison McCutcheon is enjoying another All-American season and should break the NCAA hits record this weekend.

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Calif. county removes 24 youths from Boys Ranch

By Enric Volante and Rhonda Bodfield
The Arizona Daily Star

A California county decided yesterday to remove 24 youths from Arizona Boys Ranch after reviewing allegations of "deplorable" abuse and neglect.

San Joaquin County Probation Department sent three officers to Arizona to remove the boys this week because of concerns that they were being abused, said Probation Officer Nick Cadena, who said yesterday that California's two placement in early March, but yesterday's decision marks the only large-scale removal of youths. The county's placement of more than half the population of the eight Boys Ranch campuses, a rate of 60 percent, is the lowest in the nation.

Boys Ranch came under scrutiny after the March 2 death of Nicholson Contreras, 16, of San Joaquin, Calif.

Two autopsies showed he died of complications from a lung infection that were exacerbated by physical abuse at Boys Ranch.

A 37-page final County star-investigation report released Friday showed that some staff members thought Contreras was a malingerer, though he repeatedly complained and complained in the days before he died.

The report also included allegations that Contreras had been thrown into walls by staff members. A fifth boy said a staff member "took him to an empty hallway and beat him until the barracks for having too much food in his mouth during dinner."

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WEATHER

Warm enough: Look for a high today in the lower 90s, with breezes picking up in the afternoon. Tonight will be fair with a low of 63. High yesterday: 93. Low yesterday: 59. Details on Page 13A.

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