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TUCSON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AWARDS PRESENTATION

The 2016 Tucson Parks and Recreation Commission Awards will be presented by Mayor Jonathan Rothschild on Tuesday, May 17 at the Mayor and Council meeting, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at 255 W. Alameda St. There are sixteen award recipients this year. Below is a list of the individuals and organizations who will receive an award, including a brief description of their accomplishments.

Kendall Kroesen, Tucson Audubon Society
Diane Sand, Tucson Parks and Recreation
Jennifer Psillas, Tucson Parks and Recreation
In appreciation for their collaboration on a comprehensive birding map promoting wildlife watching and conservation in the Tucson area; making a rich local resource readily available to residents and visitors of all levels of expertise and interest.

J.D. Wilcox, Reid Park Rose Garden volunteer
In appreciation for his continued dedication, passion, and devotion to the Reid Park Rose Garden and keeping this great treasure beautiful for all Tucsonans. He arrives every morning with a great attitude, ready to work, and saves the Parks and Recreation department countless man hours.

Haley Moretz, University of Arizona Nutrition Network
In appreciation of the strong relationship that KIDCO and the UA Nutrition Network have built over the past nine years and the positive effect it has had on the KIDCO program participants and staff.

El Rio Center Community volunteers: Sensei Eli Curiel – Karate
Carmen Baron and Maria Murrieta – Youth Folklorico Dance
Bettina Montanez, Angela Montanez, and Sylvia Lopez – Adult Folklorico Dance
In recognition of their more than 2,000 hours of volunteer time at the El Rio Center; because of their efforts many students have been able to learn a new skill they otherwise would not have been afforded.

Udall Recreation Center Team: Jerry Kincade, Joeseph Stubbins, and Samantha Marquez
In appreciation of the staff at the Udall Regional Recreation Center who maintain one of the busiest facilities in the Parks and Recreation department and offer a variety of programs and special events year-round. They take pride in their job and performing at a high level. They are an outstanding team and represent the Parks and Recreation department and the City of Tucson as model employees.

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Michael Givens, Tucson Parks and Recreation and El Rio Theatre Performing Arts Guild
In appreciation of coordinating and directing a diverse group of actors and technicians, each with different levels of experience and availability, that has resulted in ten years of Shakespeare in the Park.

Peggy Williams, San Juan Park/Vista del Pueblo Park/A Mountain Community Neighborhood
In recognition of her activism, volunteerism, and stewardship in the west-side Tucson community and for beautifying the nearby parks, Sentinel Peak, San Juan, and Vista del Pueblo.

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