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PAUL'S NOTE

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- * Town Hall with Paul and Mayor Rothschild, April 9
- * Mark your calendars: Our next community Shred-It event will be **April 26th** (Note new date)

There was a bit of unexpected good news last week for those of us that care about the ongoing historical preservation at Ft. Lowell Park.

Up in Marana there is another ongoing historical preservation project called the Marana Mound Community. The site is a series of Hohokam villages dating as far back as the twelfth century, and includes ancient irrigation systems and a ceremonial mound. The county has been buying land in the area for study and preservation.

Some of the land slated to be bought was state trust land. That land, unfortunately, was not put up for auction by the state. This freed up \$32,996.

The Pima County Bond Committee voted last Friday to recommend moving that money to the Fort Lowell project. The money will be used for further work on the San Pedro Chapel.

I hope that at some point in the future, the land at the Marana Mound becomes available so we can pre-

serve a valuable historical resource. I'm very happy to see, however, the possibility for some more work and improvement on Ward 2's own historical jewel.

Now, on to the bad news.

Tuesday night was a special council meeting on the city budget. My staff and I have been looking over ways to close our budget gap. I will be telling you more about them as my colleagues and I hammer out a plan over the next few weeks. Our challenges are alarming but not insurmountable.

There has been talk about debt restructuring again. I'm reluctant to do it as a substitute for cuts and cost savings. It can be a valuable tool, but only as a last resort and not without a long term plan because we will be leaving future councils to clean up.

One item I am particularly concerned about is the fund sweep of many of our social services. This amounts to \$1.2 million dollars from work force and human services programs. I got into a

bit of trouble with some folks when I listed some perks for high level city staffers in an article in the Star as possible savings. It is hard for me to justify cutting funding from a program like Job Path, which benefits many working class people in this community while things like car allowances for well paid employees go untouched. If we believe that everyone is going to have to buckle down during this crisis, then everyone is going to have to buckle down. That means scrutinizing everything.

I will be hosting a special Ward 2 open house with Mayor Jonathan Rothschild on Wednesday, April 9.

We will both be giving short presentations about the state of the city and have a question and answer session as well. It starts at 6 pm and ends at 7:30. We will be having it over here at East Side City Hall, 7575 East Speedway.

If you come out to our office, remember that we are

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always collecting donations to the Community Food Bank, TIHAN, Diaper Bank, Lions Club and Dancing in the Streets. If you have any questions, call 791-4687.

For many decades, our community hosted the Sunday Evening Forum, which brought many high profile speakers to Tucson including Martin Luther King Jr, then-House Minority Leader Gerald Ford and cartoonist and journalist Bill Maudlin. Despite the renown of the Forum, they had to stop doing them in the mid-eighties.

The Forum has been brought back and this Sunday it will feature two of Arizona's greatest jurists: retired Arizona Supreme Court Justice Stanley Feldman and former United States Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

The Forum will be at the Fox Theater at 17 W Congress. Be there at 4 pm for free ticket distribution. Doors open at 6 pm. The format will be an "armchair interview" that will include audience questions.

You've all heard the news about TESLA Motors putting Tucson on their list of cities that they may open a battery plant in. I've been sending post cards to the leadership of TESLA every week, and I'm encouraging all of you to do the same. I have a box of cards from Visit Tucson, featuring scenes of our Sonoran Desert. If you'd like to come by the office and pick some up, we'll give you the addresses of TESLA board members and write them with your stories of Tucson.

It's time to wrap this up. Go Cats!

Were you expecting *Cartago Delenda Est*?



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

The Tucson/Pima County Household Hazardous Waste Program has changed the 2nd Saturday Outreach Collection to a "mobile" event. Every month, the collection event will be in a different neighborhood so that more Tucsonans will have easy access to the program. The 1st Saturday collection at the Eastside Service Center, 7575 E Speedway, will still continue. The collections run from 8 am to noon. For more information, visit www.tucsonaz.gov/hhw or call 888-6947

IMPORTANT: Do not drop off household hazardous waste at the Ward 2 Council Office. We have no way of storing it. Please wait until a scheduled monthly drop off.

1st Saturday: Eastside Service Center, 7575 E Speedway. Enter site by turning north on Prudence.

2nd Saturday: April: TOPSC Lower Lot, 4004 S Park Ave

SUNDAY EVENING FORUM

Sunday Evening Forum of Tucson will be presenting an “armchair interview” with Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and Retired Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Stanley Feldman on Sunday, March 30.

The event will be at the Fox Theatre Downtown, 17 W. Congress. The event is free and open to the public. Tickets can be picked up March 30th only. Ticket distribution only at the Fox Theatre Box Office.

The box office will open at 4 pm for open seating ticket distribution, doors will open at 6 pm.

Sandra Day O'Connor is a retired United States Supreme Court justice, and in 2013 was listed as a NAFTA adjudicator. She served as an Associate Justice from her appointment in 1981 by Ronald Reagan until her retirement from the Court in 2006.



WARD 2 OPEN HOUSE FEATURING THE MAYOR

Councilman Paul Cunningham invites you to attend a Ward 2 Open House

Ward 2 Tucson City Councilman Paul Cunningham will be hosting an open house featuring Mayor Jonathan Rothschild.

Councilman Cunningham and Mayor Rothschild will both give short presentations regarding Ward 2 and the state of the City followed by a question and answer session on Wednesday, April 9, 6 pm – 7:30 pm. The event will be at Eastside City Hall, 7575 East Speedway Blvd.

Light refreshments will be provided.



SHRED-IT (NOTE NEW DATE— APRIL 26)



Your Ward 2 office and Shred-It is hosting another Shred-It event on April 26. Bring any of your material to be shredded, old bills, financial records, personal paperwork, to our parking lot from 8 am—11:30 and Shred-It will have its shredding trucks there to safely and securely destroy them for you.

The first reasonably sized box is free, but we ask that if you have any additional boxes, you bring a donation (either \$5 or an equivalent amount of non-perishable food) for the Community Food Bank.

Note: This event was previously scheduled for April 19, but had to be moved. We regret any inconvenience.

UDALL CENTER INFORMATION

Tax Help: AARP Tax Aide is offering assistance at Udall Center from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. through April 14, 2014. Services are free and is on a first come first serve basis. Call 571-9884 for information.



PARKS PROGRAMS

Leisure Classes: The Summer 2014 Program Guide and Class Catalog will be available Monday, April 14, 2014 for free pick-up at all Parks and Recreation facilities. The catalog will also be available for viewing on line at www.ezeereg.com

The catalog will have complete information on Parks and Recreation programs and classes, aquatics, sports, recreation center programs, and so much more. Contact Registration Services for any additional information, 791-4877. In addition, on March 30, 2014, the Arizona Daily Star will publicize a list of children's classes that will be offered in the Summer.

Eggstravaganza: The 15th Annual Eggstravaganza will be held at Mansfield Park on April 19 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The annual community-wide event is free and will include family fun activities including inflatables, egg hunts and music entertainment.

Farmers Market: The Tucson Farmers Market continues at Jesse Owens Park on Fridays from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The park is located at 400 S. Sarnoff Road, between Broadway and 22nd Street. The market has a variety of fresh produce and organic foods. Come out to the park and shop around for healthy and tasty foods.

Swim Spring Schedule: The swimming pools at Ft. Lowell Park (2900 N.Craycroft) and Udall Park (7200 E. Tanque Verde) are closed for the Winter months from November 10, 2013 through March 31, 2014. The pools will reopen and begin its Spring Schedule on April 1 2014. Visit www.tucsonaz.gov/parksandrec/aquatics for pool hours or call 791-4245.

Little League Opening Day: It's that time of year again and the parks will be busy with league play! Opening Day for Pantano Little League in Jesse Owens Park and Frontier Little League in Ft. Lowell park will take place on March 29th, 2014. Opening day for Tanque Verde Little League in Udall Park will take place April 5, 2014. Come out the park and support the players.

University of Arizona Baseball: U/A versus Oregon State: Friday, March 28 at 7 pm; Saturday, March 29 at 4 pm; Sunday, March 30 at noon

U/A versus UCLA: Friday, April 11 at 7 pm; Saturday, April 12 at 7:30 pm; Sunday, April 13 at 4 pm

Visit www.arizonawildcats.com for any additional information. To purchase tickets, call 621-CATS or visit the website.

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Please bring these items to the Ward 2 Office
for the following charities:

**THE COMMUNITY FOOD BANK—Non Perishable
Items**

**DIAPER BANK OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA—
Infant/Child/Adult Diapers**

**TIHAN - Personal Care Items for Individuals
and Families in Need**

LIONS CLUB—Eye Glasses

**DANCING IN THE STREETS ARIZONA—Ballet/
Dance Equipment**

CASA MARIA—Plastic bags

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The next Mayor and Council meeting will be on Tuesday, April 8. Regular Session starts at 5:30 pm following an afternoon study session. There is always a short call to the audience before the business portion of the meeting. Council chambers are located downtown at 255 W Alameda.

The agendas for the meetings are posted online at <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs>

