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PAUL'S NOTE

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Two of our Tucson Police Department officers were wounded while serving a warrant this week. One was released from the hospital while the other was still critical as of the time I write this. Please keep them both in your prayers.

Proposition 409 was passed by the voters back in 2012 and it enabled the city to sell \$100 million in bonds exclusively for road repair. Because of lower than anticipated petroleum prices, that \$100 million went further than anticipated and projects were added last year. All told, 173 miles of road, both arterial

and residential, have been paved so far.

If you'd like to have a look at what projects have been completed, being worked on now and scheduled to be worked on, the Department of Transportation has an online map you can look at. It can be found at <https://maps2.tucsonaz.gov/prop409/>. If that is too hard to remember, you can also visit the DOT web page at <https://www.tucsonaz.gov/transportation>, then click on "Road Recovery Bond Program" and then "Project Status Map" in the right hand tool bar. When the map comes up, you can click on the colored road seg-

ments and neighborhoods to see details of project schedules and even the sort of work that has been and will be done on those roads.

Note that RTA projects are not listed. So things like the Broadway – Camino Seco to Houghton project are not on there. Information on that particular project can be found at <http://www.broadwayeast.info/>.

I wrote a bit last week about the Sister Jose Women's Center, so I wanted to tell you a bit about

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a group a little closer to home this week. How close to home? They work here at the Ward 2 office.

As long as I've been a councilperson, Helping Hands has been meeting Thursday mornings to knit and crochet scarves and other items for a variety of community organizations. They'd like to make their focus on the homeless for this season. They'd like to invite all members of the community to join them by either coming to the group to knit and crochet here at the Ward 2 office at 10 am each Thursday or by dropping off a scarf at the office and we'll make sure to get it to them.

If you want more information, contact Lynne Bergman at 290-8171.

Evelyn Sigafus, a Ward 2 neighbor and friend of our office, saw last week's piece about the Sr. Jose Shelter and asked if the office can be a drop off for items for them. My staff contacted the Shelter and we can take winter clothing items, which the women at Sister Jose are in great need of right now, for them.

PROTECT YOUR PIPES

With freezing and near-freezing temperatures in the weather forecast this week, Tucson Water is urging its customers to protect their outdoor pipes.

- Check your property for exposed pipes and plumbing that carry water (including outdoor faucets, bibs, and valves).
- Use foam or wrap insulation to protect pipes from freezing. Inspect existing insulation, especially in areas exposed to elements.
- Temporary insulation (towels, blankets, newspaper, etc.) is better than nothing.
- Seal all areas that allow cold outside air to get in where pipes are located.
- Newer homes may have poly piping in the attic; this may also need insulation.
- Remove, drain and store outdoor hoses inside.
- Let cold water drip from a faucet during times of extremely frigid temperatures.
- If a pipe freezes, blow warm air from a hair dryer or vacuum cleaner canister on the frozen section to begin warming. Do not pour hot water over a frozen pipe or do anything to cause a rapid rise in temperature.

More tips are available at <https://www.tucsonaz.gov/water/winter-prep>

PIMA ANIMAL CARE

Pima Animal Care Center (PACC) is halting voluntary pet surrenders for two weeks, starting today, due to shelter-related dog illnesses that can be deadly if not quickly treated.

On-site adoptions also will stop for a short period while the shelter makes room to house its healthy pets. The diseases are highly contagious among dogs in shelter settings and can be potentially lethal if untreated. They are not communicable to humans. The shelter has isolated all dogs showing any evidence of illness for testing and treatment. In addition, all healthy-appearing dogs have received and will continue to receive prophylactic antibiotic treatment to eradicate the infectious organisms. All treated dogs also will undergo a 14-day period of observation and testing to ensure they are not contagious or ill. While these diseases primarily affect only dogs, PACC officials decided to also temporarily stop cat surrenders and adoptions to minimize shelter traffic and allow the shelter to quickly resolve the issue.

Those who need to surrender a pet during this time can call PACC's Pet Support Center at (520) 724-7222.

SAFETY AND JUSTICE MEETING

The public is invited to attend the Safety + Justice Community Collaborative Meeting Monday, December 5, from 2-4 p.m. at the Pima County Main Library, 101 N. Stone Ave. (Community Meeting Room in the basement).

The 32-member Safety + Justice Community Collaborative is made up of a cross-section of justice system partners and community representatives, including individuals who previously were incarcerated. Members meet regularly to review data and propose adjustments to the strategies of the Pima County Safety and Justice Challenge.

Last April, Pima County received \$1.5 million from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge to fund programs designed to reduce jail numbers by addressing the main drivers of the County's jail population, including warrants for failure to appear on prior misdemeanor charges and low-level, nonviolent offenses related to mental illness and substance abuse.



CAROL WEST SENIOR CENTER

Class information: Tucson Parks & Recreation offers classes for ages 50 and up that include Yoga, Line Dancing & T'ai Chi. Call 791-4877 to register.

Eastside Senior Club: The Eastside Senior Club collaborates with the senior center to provide additional activities, special events, trips & refreshments. There is a \$5 lifetime membership fee. The club meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 11:30-12:00 in the multi-purpose room.

33rd Annual Senior Olympics: This year, they will be held January 7-February 4. Participants ages 50 and over compete in a variety of activities and sporting events throughout Tucson. For more information, visit www.tucsonseniorgames.org

PARKS PROGRAMS

Solar Panel Construction: The Udall Regional Center's parking lot is currently under construction for the Solar Panel project. Solar panel shade structures will be installed over the next few months. Sections of the Senior Addition and main parking lots will be closed in 2-3 week increments. Limited parking will be available. The project will take place from September through December.

Fall Program Guide and Leisure Classes: The Tucson Parks and Recreation Fall Program Guide has been published, and registrations have started. The Fall Leisure classes for Session II of classes will run October 23-December 10. For class and program availability, call Registration Services at 791-4877. Visit www.ezeereg.com for additional information.

Facility Closures: All Parks and Recreation facilities will be closed Monday, December 26 for the Christmas holiday.

Call 791-4877 for more information or questions.

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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

SR. JOSE WOMEN'S SHELTER—Winter clothing

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The next Mayor and Council meeting will be on **Tuesday, December 6**. 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>

