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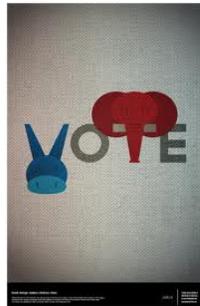


# Ward 6 - Newsletter

## TUCSON FIRST

August 7, 2013

### City Elections



On Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, the City will hold its Primary Elections. Those of us on the Council who serve in Wards 3, 5 and 6 are up for reelection. The City Clerk will mail out ballots for the Primary Election on Thursday, August 8, 2013, and a ballot replacement center will be open on Friday, August, 9, 2013 at the City Clerk Elections Center located at 800 E. 12th Street. This location will be open from Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., up through Election Day (there will be extended hours on Election Day). If you don't receive your ballot within a few days after the 9<sup>th</sup>, you should contact the Clerk's office.

On election day, there will be one voting location open per Ward. The Clerk's election center will also be open. The locations for the Ward polling places are:  
Ward 3 – 2160 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue – the Donna R. Liggins Rec. Center  
Ward 5 – 101 W. Irvington – El Pueblo Senior Center  
Ward 6 – 900 S. Randolph Way – the Parks and Rec. Admin Bldg in Reid Park.

Each of the polling locations is open from 6am until 7pm on Primary Election day. The same is true of the Clerk's Center. The Primary election is limited to voters who live in the respective Wards. When we get to November, that's the City-wide election in which all City residents are eligible to vote for any candidate who's on the ballot – regardless of Ward (but you must register!)

Start looking for your ballots later this week.

### Mexico and Commerce



On Tuesday we got an update from our new International Trade Specialist who is working out of the City Manager's office. Juan Padres has been doing a ton of leg work in establishing relationships and looking into how we can capture our share of the trade market that's coming in both directions; to and from Mexico.

Mexico is the third largest trading partner that the U.S. has – it's Arizona's #1 partner. There are approximately 260 maquiladoras in the State



### Important Phone Numbers

#### Tucson Police Department

911 or 791-4444  
nonemergency

#### Mayor & Council Comment Line

791-4700

#### Neighborhood Resources

791-4605

#### Park Wise

791-5071

#### Water Issues

791-3242

#### Pima County Animal Control

243-5900

#### Street Maintenance 791-3154

#### Planning and Development Services 791-5550

#### Southwest Gas 889-1888

#### Gas Emergency/ Gas Leaks

889-1888

#### West Nile Virus Hotline

243-7999

#### Environment Service

791-3171

#### Graffiti Removal 792-2489

#### AZ Game & Fish 628-5376

## Continued: A Message From Steve

of Sonora, each within a 400 mile range of Tucson. To the extent that we can attract and build supply chain commerce with those, both they and we gain.

Juan has been working on expanding our trade position with Mexico since he came on board last February. His work has taken him to several international trade forums to begin to build relationships. Those included the Sonora Engine Forum, Mexico's Aerospace Industry Conference, the Arizona Mexico Commission Plenary Session, and a bunch more. He has also been working jointly with the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Arizona Commerce Authority. South of the border he has touched the economic development directors from Hermosillo, Guaymas, Nogales, Ciudad Obregon and Culiacan. In each case he's promoting our international airport, the fact that we have an established intermodal facility, the UP lines go through Tucson – and of course our proximity to Mexico.

He'll also be wise to remind these trading partners that it was this M&C who stood out in opposition to SB1070 two years ago when we were losing trade from not only other States in the U.S. but from Mexico, too.

This is a big deal for Tucson. We've made great strides, and to have Juan working with Mr. Miranda's team in nurturing these trade relationships has the potential to be a game changer for the region. We'll be getting periodic updates from his office, and I'll be sure to share them all with you.

### More on Job Creation

In August, 2011 we created a new job creation incentive called the Primary Jobs Incentive. Companies who invest over \$5M into new or expanded facilities in non-retail jobs, who pay an average of at least 150% of the Tucson MSA wages (currently \$62K,) and who pay 75% of their employees health care will qualify for the incentive. The incentives include a full waiver of permit fees and the City crediting the 2% construction sales taxes to the project to cover things such as the costs of public infrastructure improvements associated with the project.

While setting a high bar is oftentimes a good thing, if you can't attract prospects, and in fact see some moving to adjacent communities, then it's worthwhile to reconsider the criteria. That was the message from staff to us on Tuesday.

By way of comparison, the Arizona Commerce Authority offers incentives for qualified facilities based on 125% of the Arizona median wage (\$54K,) and they only call for 65% of workers' being covered by health care. For Marana, the salary threshold is \$40K and the capital investment they require is only \$2M. With those as competitors for new job creation, we needed to take a new look at our own thresholds.

Staff asked for three changes:

- a. We reduce the salary threshold from 150% of the average annual pay for the Tucson MSA down to 125% (a change of from \$62K down to \$52K.)
- b. Revision of the requirement that at least 51% of all local company employees earn the threshold wage to one in which the average wage of all local employees be above the average annual pay for the Tucson MSA (currently \$42K.)



### Important Phone Numbers

Senator John  
McCain (R)  
520-670-6334

Senator Jeff  
Flake (R)  
520-575-8633

Congressman  
Ron Barber (D)  
(2<sup>nd</sup> District)  
520-881-3588

Congressman  
Raul Grijalva (D)  
(3<sup>th</sup> District)  
520-622-6788

Governor Janice  
Brewer (R)  
Governor of Arizona  
602-542-4331  
Toll free:  
1-800-253-0883

State Legislators  
Toll Free  
Telephone:  
1-800-352-8404  
Internet:  
[www.azleg.gov](http://www.azleg.gov)

Mayor Jonathan  
Rothschild  
791-4201

City Infoguide  
[http://  
cms3.tucsonaz.gov/  
infoguide](http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/infoguide)

- c. And to allow staff to bring us prospects whose project may fall slightly below some of the standards we've got in place so we're not drawing a hard line in the sand, and not allowing ourselves the flexibility to look at the entire package before simply disallowing certain incentives from being offered.

We adopted the incentives suggested with the exception that we increased the average wage threshold to \$45K, up from the \$42K that was being proposed. It's my belief that if we can attract above average paying jobs, and in the process we don't violate the State Constitutional gift clause, then we should be aggressive in getting those positions into our local workforce. I supported the changes, and look forward to seeing how they'll affect the applicant flow for new or expanded operations in our area.

#### **Downtown Revitalization – Partnerships**

And briefly, we took a final vote on this year's support of the Downtown Tucson Partnership's work in a clean/safe/marketed/promoted downtown. It's undeniable that the downtown core is the area of town that is currently enjoying the most significant economic renaissance. The fact that it's also being driven by private dollars – a decidedly different model than what was being advocated under previous Rio Nuevo/City relationships – is important to recognize.

The Partnership received \$390K from City funds last year; \$365 from our self-assessment, and another \$25K from grant funds through our 'outside agency' RFP process. This year, that \$25K was eliminated. The baseline scope of work we're paying the DTP to perform will become obsolete in one month when over 500 new residents will take up occupancy in the Cadence student housing project. To assume the money that will be paid into the BID by Cadence will cover all of the additional costs in staffing, materials and energy is not realistic.

There's a Business Improvement District (BID) formula by which building owners who lie within the boundaries of the downtown core are charged for the work the DTP does. If the City were to assess itself on the basis of that formula (generally based on the size of the property you own) we'd be paying the DTP over \$420K. We've opted out of our own formula.

At the same time, as noted in last week's newsletter, the County is increasing their support level of the BID. Neither we, nor they are at the levels we should be by the formula we apply to private businesses, but they're headed in the right direction.

I've argued for at least bumping the DTP back to the \$390K level they worked at last year, knowing that even that level is probably going to present a significant challenge in terms of maintaining the service level we have identified in the scope of their services. M&C felt differently.

We had over 20,000 people at the last 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday's event. It's my belief that this isn't the time to be reducing our support of the group we've asked to make the place safe and inviting. Maintaining the Partnership at last year's level of investment, minus \$25K is a bad business decision.

#### **Pima County Jail**

We have an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County through which they house prisoners who are arrested and/or



convicted under charges tried in municipal court. The County bills us for the charges they incur for jailboard expenses.

We renew that IGA annually. It's a tiered billing system in which we pay more for the first day of incarceration (to account for the processing charges) and a lesser amount for each subsequent day of incarceration. Last year the fees were \$241 for the first day, and \$90 for each subsequent day. This year those numbers will be \$253 for day one, and \$85 daily thereafter.

It costs us over \$6M annually to use the County facility for housing our prisoners. We've looked at the cost/benefits of building our own jail and doing away with the pass-through costs to the County, but the initial capital costs and the long term management and administration costs for operation our own jail haven't penciled out in ways that make sense for us to go in that direction. The County does a good job, and we don't need to duplicate the function.

I pass this on because it's a cost that people don't generally think about. We've got financial obligations in plenty of areas. This is one that we have to account for annually – and it competes with our other fiscal responsibilities. Public safety is more than 911 and the people you see in uniform. Crime continues to cost us money, even after the court seemingly closes the book on a given criminal incident. It's just something else to keep in mind when you hear us discussing how we need to prioritize our limited dollars when we get back to budget, compensation and pension talks later this year.

#### **Hunting on Tucson Water Land**

Two years ago, the State adopted SB1334, a law that had the effect of opening up certain land owned by the City of Tucson to hunting. Specifically, land owned by Tucson Water out in the Avra Valley area. This is yet another item in which we maintain that our Charter derived authority allows us to determine appropriate uses of land we own. The State would pre-empt those decisions and force us to open our property to State regulated hunting.

Shortly after the adoption of the law, a member of the State Senate contacted me and asked why we weren't simply coming into compliance. I convened a meeting with our Attorneys and the State Game and Fish people so both sides could air their feelings. What transpired was a lengthy negotiation between G&F and TW to find a way that we could avoid litigation – work towards a mutually acceptable solution. I believe we've got that.

On Tuesday we agreed to a Memorandum of Understanding with the Game and Fish folks by which we'll open a couple of Avra Valley Tucson Water properties to bird hunting. In the MOU we've inserted language that preserves our ability to maintain our Charter Authority position when we get to cases in the future that rise to the level of digging in and fighting. You pick your battles, and preserve your rights for that day that is inevitably to come.

The land is way out west of the Tucson Mountains at Ajo and Sasabe Hwy. We have no infrastructure on it that will be vulnerable to being damaged by gunfire. What we do have is an interest in developing a Habitat Conservation Plan that will designate suitable species' habitat within Avra Valley. Through this MOU, the G&F has agreed to work with us on securing Grant funding in support of that effort. In addition, they'll help to fund the signage that will be needed to instruct hunters as to points of ingress, and the rules they'll

need to comply with when accessing Tucson land. Both we, and G&F will review the impact on the land after a couple of seasons and see how the agreement is working.

Any of you familiar with my last four years in public office know that I'm not one to shy away from fighting to preserve Home Rule. And yet where there are opportunities to build bridges, then I'll default to that as long as we're not conceding our rights to 'fight another day.' We did that with this agreement.

### **Brownfields Mitigation Funding**



The term 'Brownfields' is used to describe areas that have contaminants on site that are associated with previous uses. Those can include things such as abandoned or under-utilized warehouses, inactive factories, gas stations, salvage yards and other similar uses. This week, the House of Representatives' Appropriations' Committee's Interior and Environment Subcommittee recommended cutting the Brownfields Program in its entirety. Last year that funding level was \$162 million. The City of Tucson has received nearly \$3M in Brown-

fields funding since 1997. Eliminating the money is no small deal.

Having these properties in unmitigated states can cause blight to neighborhoods and inhibit economic development. They also pose risks to public health and the environment, and erode the tax base of communities. To the extent that we may lose a funding source for cleaning them up is simply a bad economic and health decision by the Feds.

There is a national coalition being formed that represents thousands of communities who are joining voices in an effort to save the funding. On Tuesday we voted to join that set of voices and send a large message to Washington that this is an unacceptable way to balance the Federal budget. Once remediated, communities can reuse the formerly contaminated properties. Our letter is going out in opposition to the elimination of the funds.

If we can place properties back into productive use, our tax base grows and the region's economic base is expanded. Cutting Brownfields funding is not saving money in the long run. It's short term thinking, and bad policy. We're hoping the coalition continues to grow in number and impact on the decision makers who felt this was an easy place to chop Federal support of local jurisdictions.

### **Mental Illness Stigma Elimination Task Force**

During the last State legislative term, Victoria Steele co-sponsored a bill for funding Mental Health 1<sup>st</sup> Aid. It ended up being included in the Governor's budget – reduced by ½ of what she had originally included, but the \$250K will be used in some important ways.

Last week I attended a forum held at the downtown library that was put on by the Mental Illness Stigma Elimination Task Force. That's a group from around our community that is dedicated to the goal of offering mental health first aid training to everybody who works in the downtown core. This is what Victoria's bill is intended to address. The purpose is to empower people to recognize the signs and symptoms of somebody who needs intervention, and to then have the information needed to follow through. We don't hesitate when it comes to a physical need. Somebody showing signs of a mental illness condition don't receive the

same level of consideration.

The forum was intended to introduce the audience members to the proposed 90 minute training program, and to solicit our feedback. The program was presented by Steve Nagel – specialist who works at CPSA. The ‘let’s train all of our employees in the downtown core’ focus is the creative brainchild of Jeannette Mare – Ben’s Bells Project founder. The discussion was led by Catherine Tornbom from the Center for Community Dialogue. That line-up alone should sell the program, but the content was impressive.

The 90 minute training program will consist of some combination of the following topics:

- Increasing mental illness literacy
- Decreasing stigma
- De-constructing some myths surrounding mental illness
- Discussion of recovery, not simply ‘living with it.’
- Risk factors / signs /symptoms
- Intervention strategies that the lay person can employ and knowing how to spot a crisis vs. a non-crisis situation

The task force is gathering and assimilating the input they received from those of us who attended. There was a room full of people who work in the field at service provider agencies. The audience also included people who own and operate businesses downtown, representatives from the Downtown Tucson Partnership, KXCI, and various public safety agencies. The task force has plenty of information to roll into their already impressive outline of the training. Those of us who heard the presentation are very much looking forward to the next steps in the program.

The Mayo Clinic offers a primer on mental illness. They answer the question “is it mental illness?” this way –

*“In general, signs and symptoms may indicate a mental illness when they make a person miserable and interfere with their ability to function in their daily life. They may have trouble coping with stress, anger or other emotions. Or they may find it difficult to handle family, work or school responsibilities, or have serious legal or financial problems.”*

If those symptoms describe you, a friend or a loved one, you can call 622.6000 – the community wide crisis line.

Alongside the many gun control related initiatives you’ve read about in this newsletter, it’s great to also be able to include this item – a facet of the social issues that can have tragic results if gone unaddressed.

### **Boingo Wireless**



Do you remember Pong? It may have been the best “video game” ever invented – at least for those of us who don’t live through electronic media and have time to sit and spend hours on today’s versions of on-line entertainment.

But it seems sports fans are now demanding that we provide access to all sorts of wireless activities, even while they’re attending our sporting events. So, the athletics department,

and the UA more broadly is accommodating.

This fall, cell signals will be boosted in Arizona Stadium. In fact, a distributed antenna system that will improve voice and data coverage for mobile devices will grow all over campus, including in the stadium, and during home events. This'll improve twitter, and other forms of social media interaction. The guess is that right now, more than ½ of all the data traffic on cell networks during a football game is chewed up by social media alone. With the expanded cell coverage, we're providing a more reliable signal.

Last year, the stadium's pre-existing cellular coverage was capable of handling voice calls and texts for a full stadium. But as soon as the fans began to post updates, along with pictures and videos of the game to social media, the system slowed to a crawl – and sometimes dumped signals. With the Boingo upgrade, that'll be a thing of the past – like Pong, but different. No more signal bottlenecks.

### **Sewell Gets an “A”**

Last year at this time the TUSD governing board was considering the closure of Sewell Elementary School. Lots of hard work by the residents whose kids go to the school – and by the staff who works there – ended up saving them from being closed. This week that decision was validated.

Based on AIMS scores, Sewell received an “A” rating from the State. Last year they were rated “B.” Their score placed them 5<sup>th</sup> best in the County, and 12<sup>th</sup> best State wide. They had the second highest score in all of TUSD, behind only University High School. A big congratulations to the staff, teachers, students and parents of the kids who earned this great recognition.

**...and on another Back to School note...**



...school is now back in session all over town. That means the school zone signs are back where you saw them last spring, and you'll need to slow down and be aware that kids aren't always the most predictable creatures. Take it easy and be safe as you drive around town.

### **Transit Fares and Routes**

During a recent Arizona Illustrated show, I was asked about Sun Tran costs and fare revenues. My answer was that a lot of people don't understand that we simply cannot go in and begin to slice out routes and/or raise fares. We're bound by Federal law to consider what's called Title VI before we make any 'significant' changes to fares on our routes. On Tuesday, we voted to authorize new policies that are consistent with those Federal guidelines.

Since 2012, all Federal Transit Administration recipients who operate over 50 fixed route vehicles in peak service and who serve a population of over 200,000 have to conduct an equity analysis before making certain changes to routes and/or fares. The Feds updated those

Title VI requirements at the start of their FY' 13. We put those changes into place on Tuesday.

Here are the specifics:

- a. A 'significant change' is defined as one in which 25% or more of the route revenue miles, route revenue hours or ridership in any individual route is affected by the proposed change.
- b. A public hearing must be held if there is any major service change being proposed.
- c. A public hearing must also be held for any fare change to any of our Sun Tran/Van/Link modes.
- d. We must conduct a Fare Equity Analysis before adopting fare increases.

If the Equity Analysis shows that a proposed fare or route change would have a disparate impact on a 'protected class' (generally considered as racial minorities, but in this case also low income earners) then we'd have to take steps to minimize and/or mitigate those effects.

We are in the middle of a Comprehensive Operational Analysis that will show us how each route is operating from the perspective of economic metrics (ridership, revenues, etc.) What that COA won't do is answer the equity impacts of certain specific possible changes we'd consider for efficiencies. Earlier in the year I had proposed elimination of an express route that duplicated a regular route coming from out on the far east side. That, coupled with extending the wait-times on four routes from 10 minutes to 20 minutes would need to be run through these equity tests. For the \$2M in savings those changes would have yielded, I'd be willing to submit them to those tests. First things first – let's see what the COA says about ridership on that route and then see if M&C want to do the equity analysis on it.

My point here though is just to fill in the gap that may have been left after the Arizona Illustrated interview. When you hear people say that we should just shut down routes and/or raise fares, you now know that there's a Federally driven process that guides the steps we'd need to take before adopting any changes such as those.

### **Broadway/RTA**

During a recent presentation by the RTA Attorney to the RTA Board, a power point was shown that included some more confirmation that the mantra of "you have to build 150', and it can only go to the north" on Broadway has been set aside. The Citizen Task Force that is designing the Broadway project has heard from the Mayor and Council that they're empowered to design with creative criteria in mind, they last week heard it from the Project consultants, and now this from the RTA:

### **Statutory Purposes**

The purpose of the Legislature in empowering the RTA Board to make changes to the RTP, without necessitating a public vote, was to ensure that the Board could react, efficiently, to changing circumstances throughout the RTP's twenty-year implementation period.

So there's acknowledgement that as conditions change, so can design. Those conditions can include not only traffic projections, but also an awareness that modes of travel are changing, and peoples' desire for destination nodes close to their homes are increasing in popularity. The CTF is looking at all of that as they work to keep the roadway functional.

So, what's "functional?" Per the RTA:

### Defining Functionality

Functionality is a term, with no specific engineering or legal definitions. However, common dictionary definitions indicate that the term addresses capability to perform functions.

Functionality can be assessed for many functions (pedestrian accessibility, transit speed, etc.), but is most important on modes of travel impacted by a change proposal.

Where a departure from the ballot description is being considered, a performance comparison between the proposed alternative and the original scope of work must show no degradation in performance.



...”capable to perform functions.” Somebody has to decide what function the road is being asked to perform. Circular? A bit, but also to the point related to creative design. They also note that the design impact on modes of travel is going to be weighed. That’ll include all modes, including walking to a restaurant or other shopping opportunity from an adjacent neighborhood. It’s all in the mix, and now all three of the bodies that will ultimately weigh in on the final design proposal have affirmed that.

Last weekend my bride and I had dinner at Falora. That’s a rather new restaurant at Broadway and Country Club. It was about 6:30pm – the ‘rush hour’ was non-existent. Broadway functions just fine with its current cross width. The design team has plenty of room to let their creative juices flow.

Public input on the various designs and cross-width options will be held in September. I’ll post the dates in the newsletter when they’re finalized.

### Southern Arizona Transportation Museum

Finally, it’s that time of year again when the Transportation Museum is holding an open house. The date is this Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. From 10am until 4pm, you’ll be able to do a lot of hands on activities, pick up some ‘goodies’ from Amtrak, check out art exhibits and large vintage vehicles. Join them at 11am for a cake cutting in celebration of Tucson’s birthday.

Here’s the contact information on the event:

**PLACE:** Down at the Historic Tucson Train Depot 414 N Toole, Tucson

**FREE ADMISSION & PARKING**

**CONTACT:** ( 520) 623-2223

<http://www.tucsonhistoricdepot.org/>

Sincerely,

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## Arts and Entertainment Events Calendar

**This week and next week at the arts and entertainment venues in the Downtown, 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Main Gate areas . . .**

**Rialto Theatre**, 318 E. Congress St.

Saturday, August 10, 6:30pm “**Memorial and Benefit for Ric Evarian- A Gathering of the Tribe**”

[www.RialtoTheatre.com](http://www.RialtoTheatre.com)

**Fox Theatre**, 17 W. Congress St.

Friday, August 9, 2013, 7:30 pm and Sunday, August 11, 2013, 2:00 pm **Murder on the Orient Express**

Saturday, August 10, 2013, 7:00 pm **2nd Saturdays Presents: Bob Malone** Free Admission

[www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org](http://www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org)

**Loft Cinema**

“LIVE FROM RED SQUARE, MOSCOW STARRING ANNA NETREBKO AND DMITRI HVOROSTOVSKY”

Thursday, August 8 at 7:00pm and Tuesday, August 13 at 11:00am

[www.loftcinema.com/](http://www.loftcinema.com/)

**MOCA** 265 South Church Avenue

**Artist Talk: Wylwyn Dominic Reyes**

Friday 9 August 6:30pm

MOCA members free, \$5 non-members

**2nd Saturdays Downtown**

Saturday, August 10, 2013 5:00-10:30pm

<http://www.2ndsaturdaysdowntown.com/>

**Ongoing . . . .**

**Temple of Music and Art**, 330 S. Scott Ave.

“The Importance Of Being Earnest”

Written by Oscar Wilde, Directed by Stephen Wrentmore

September 14 – October 5, 2013

[www.arizonatheatre.org](http://www.arizonatheatre.org)

**Tucson Museum of Art**, 140 N. Main Ave.

Ongoing exhibition:

“**Desert Grasslands,**” and “**Art + The Machine**”

[www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org](http://www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org)

**Children's Museum Tucson**, 200 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm; Saturdays & Sundays: 10:00am - 5:00pm

[www.childrensmuseumtucson.org](http://www.childrensmuseumtucson.org)

**Jewish History Museum**, 564 S. Stone Ave.

Open Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday, 1:00-5:00 and Friday, Noon to 3:00pm

Special hours for school and group tours, for more information call 670-9073

[www.jewishhistorymuseum.org](http://www.jewishhistorymuseum.org)

**Meet Me at Maynards**

A social walk/run through the Downtown area  
 Every Monday, rain or shine, holidays too!  
 Maynards Market and Kitchen, 400 N. Toole Avenue, the historic train depot  
 Check-in begins at 5:15pm.  
[www.MeetMeatMaynards.com](http://www.MeetMeatMaynards.com)

**Tucson Farmers' Market at Maynards**

Saturdays 9:00am – 1:00pm  
 On the plaza at Maynards Market & Kitchen. 400 N Toole in the Historic Train Depot

**Santa Cruz Farmers' Market** Mercado San Agustin, 100 S. Avenida del Convento  
 Thursdays, 4:00 – 7:00pm.

**Arizona State Museum – Woven Wonders (beginning April 28)**

The Arizona State Museum is debuting a sample of 500 pieces from the world's largest collection of Southwest American Indian basketry (over 25,000 pieces). Visit [www.statemuseum.arizona.edu](http://www.statemuseum.arizona.edu) for more information.

**UA Mineral Museum – Ongoing**

“100 Years of Arizona's Best: The Minerals that Made the State”

**Southern Arizona Transportation Museum**

414 N Toole Ave.  
 Tuesday – Thursday, Sunday: 11:00am - 3:00pm; Friday & Saturdays: 10:00am - 4:00pm  
<http://www.tucsonhistoricdepot.org/>

**For other events in the Downtown/4<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Main Gate area, visit these sites:**

[www.MainGateSquare.com](http://www.MainGateSquare.com)  
[www.FourthAvenue.org](http://www.FourthAvenue.org)  
[www.DowntownTucson.org](http://www.DowntownTucson.org)

**Other Community Events****MOCA Movie Night: *Smokey and the Bandit***

Saturday 10 August  
 7pm FREE for all  
 Bike in with the whole family, bring a picnic dinner, BYOB, and enjoy a free screening of *Smokey and the Bandit* in MOCA's Great Hall!

**Cinema La Placita Outdoor Film Series**

presents “*The Sting*”  
 on Thursday, August 8 at 7:30 p.m.  
 To view full schedule visit:

<http://www.cinemataplacita.com/>

