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Defenders of Tucson Greyhound Park

In response to last week's KVOA segment on TGP's financial woes, the Facebook pages lit up. While most decried the lousy industry that greyhound racing is, there was this particularly compelling defense of the track (I did not edit it):

Amanda Kaitlyn Kaitlyn *Im Currently Working At Tucson Greyhound Park. My Dad Owns Hes Kennel! The Dogs Are Well Loved . Im 17 & I've Been Around Them All My LIFE. They Are Well Loved And Cared For. Instead Of Wrioting these sad comments you should see how there taken care of. We Bond with these Dogs. We put our time amd money on these dogs. Its not bout the money. Its the love we have for these dogs
They are never ABUSED.*

August 11 at 9:06pm

Karyn Zoldan *We would love to see it Amanda but the media is NEVER allowed inside the kennel; they cannot even film in the pit of the lobby that's why they are always standing outside by that pitiful sign. And most of the time there is NO COMMENT from anyone inside the track. What does that tell you? @Amanda Kaitlyn, what about the dogs that were electrocuted? How is that best for the dogs? What about the dogs that sit there for days*



Important Phone Numbers

Tucson Police Department
911 or nonemergency
791-4444

Water Issues
791-4133
Emergency: 791-4133

Street Maintenance
791-3154

Graffiti Removal
792-2489

Abandoned Shopping Carts
791-3171

Neighborhood Resources
837-5013

SunTran/SunLink
792-9222

Environmental Services
791-3171

Park Wise
791-5071

Planning and Development Services 791-5550

Pima County Animal Control
243-5900

Pima County Vector Control
Cockroach: 443-6501
Mosquito: 740-2760

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and weeks and months on end that are too lame to race but just sit in that pit with their muzzles on because someone is too lazy to take their muzzles off and on when they go pee and poop? What about the track surface that never gets fixed and all the broken leg dogs? I could go on but we'll never agree and we'll never agree to disagree. I don't really care what you think or feel either.

August 11 at 9:41pm

Amanda Kaitlyn Kaitlyn *They Hardly ever get electrocuted. And everyone is different. Their muzzles are off. The dogs that sit they get sent to amazing homes. Broken legs? we all get mad about that. My dad's dog hasn't broken any in a year. I wish you guys were allowed. But I didn't ask for you to care. At least you listened.!*

In deference to the Star reporter who had an issue with my spelling of the word "sheriff" I'll just suggest that it's the content that's most important in the exchange shown above. It's great to know that the dogs "hardly ever get electrocuted," and it's even more heart-warming to hear that the kennel operators "get mad" about broken legs on the dogs – and this one hasn't had any for a whole year. This is a really very touching display of concern for the animals.



The Department of Racing issued the 3 year license renewal to TGP with the understanding that the owners would be putting significant money into the quality of the track. There was no mention of either eliminating the Hardship Tax Credit that you give to it out of the State General Fund, and no admission by the ADOR that it relies on racing to fund its own operations. In true bureaucratic fashion, the agency breathed new life into the source of its own funding.

Southern Arizona Greyhound Adoption Event

On August 19th, the SA Greys group will host another adoption event at Feast restaurant (3719 E. Speedway). It's a fund raiser for the organization. Their money goes to the cost of extraordinary vet fees for broken legs and other special needs, spay/neuter, dental, micro-chipping, kennel costs, and a bunch more.

You've got to download a flyer and present it to your server in order for 20% of your check to be directed to this effort. Here's a link to the flyer: <http://sagreyhoundadoption.org/news-events/greyt-bites-2>

The event will go from 11am until 9pm. It's a great way to support a local business and a

local non-profit at the same sitting.

Kudos to Palo Verde Neighborhood for Trying



You all know I'm a huge dog lover. But the focus of the photo above isn't the cute puppy, which would make this the third dog-related piece in a row. It's the trash laying all around a City dumpster.

We have a wonderful group of engaged residents in the Palo Verde neighborhood who have stepped up and offered to take charge of ensuring that the irresponsible people who think they've got the right to blight a neighborhood have somebody to clean up after them. We're hoping for some creative response from the City departments involved.

It's really quite simple. The neighborhood has offered to take responsibility for cleaning up debris like this and save the City Code Enforcement people the time, energy and money of having to police the area when they receive complaints. They've asked for a roll-off dumpster to be placed on a City owned lot in their neighborhood. Once per month, or whenever it was filled with this sort of mess, the City would come and empty it.

We're working with Environmental Services and Tucson Water (it's TW land that we've identified for the roll-off). Everybody understands that the roll-off cannot block access to TW equipment – so collocating on that site is where we're working for a collaborative solution that works for everybody. It's a site that has been used for the past 3 years for the neighborhood's month-long cleaning project.

Residents who will clean their neighborhood save Code Enforcement money and effort. Find a place for the roll-off. Sounds easy enough. It should have taken one phone call and have been embraced by staff. Stay tuned.

Ronstadt Transit Center



Important Phone Numbers

Senator John McCain (R)
520-670-6334

Senator Jeff Flake (R)
520-575-8633

Congressman Ron Barber (D)
(2nd District)
520-881-3588

Congressman Raul Grijalva (D)
(3rd District)
520-622-6788

Governor Janice Brewer (R)
602-542-4331
Tucson office:
628-6580

Mayor Jonathan Rothschild
791-4201

ZoomTucson Map
<http://maps.tucsonaz.gov/zoomTucson/>

Earlier this year we extended the due date for applications for the development proposals relative to the RTC. The new deadline is coming up on August 28th. This is Phase I of what will be a two stage process. At this stage we'll select a design team based on their 30,000 foot overview and their resume of successfully pulling off similar projects. In the next phase more specific design details will be worked out. Dates have not yet been set for when that series of public meetings will begin.

If you'd like to see how this is being advertised, you can go to the project website @ <http://oip.tucsonaz.gov/integrated-planning/ronstadt-transit-center-multi-modal-mixed-use-development-opportunity>.

You can also see how the RFP is being handled through our procurement page @ http://tucsonprocurement.com/bidders_bidopportunities.aspx?Orderby=ContractNum. This is project #140983.

The main reason we pushed back the initial deadline was so we could give some other downtown/development related items a chance to unfold. I didn't support the delay and believe we'd have sent a better message by thinking through how we wanted to set the table from the start, but that's in the past. Now the time's ripe for the people interested in successfully developing on this parcel to come to the table with a more fully baked idea of what's possible. Here's what's now included in the information that wasn't at the start of the summer:

- The streetcar is up and running

- The Downtown Tucson Partnership has included some pro-formas that show incentives developers can avail themselves of – including the conditions/assumptions each requires.

- Results from a Union Pacific soils study that shows remediation work that has been done on the site.

- We're about to open a downtown grocery store.

- We're about to break ground on a downtown hotel.

The site will include a transit element. That's an FTA-directed condition. But Transit Oriented Development isn't a foreign concept to any of the major players in the field. I'm hoping to see some creative proposals that incorporate a wide mixture of uses, many of which will build on the tax base we've begun with the other successes we're seeing nearby.

Like a Swiss Army knife, this proposal leaves room for plenty of options that we'll soon have the chance to consider. The mistake we'd make would be poking holes in them early on so what's in front of us ends up looking more like Swiss cheese.

There's this site, the Thrifty Block site, and the I-10 Arena Parcel, each ready for somebody to step up and make legitimate proposals. With the progress we've seen, I'm sure those will also be a part of the mix soon.

Short Term Rentals

The logos on the next page are only a small sampling of an emerging business model. It's called the sharing economy, peer to peer economy, collaborative consumption, mesh

economy, or any of several other similar descriptors. In general, it's a largely unregulated, in many cases untaxed but totally legitimate business model that's filling a market driven demand. The idea is to shift from defining unused value as waste to defining it as an opportunity to create value from more a efficient use of the resource. You've got a car – rent it when you're not using it. Got a car and some spare time – become a taxi. You've got books/DVD's/bicycles – rent them out/trade them/create a circular economy.



In the context of short term rentals, it's renting your home out while you're away or renting out rooms while you're at home that's my focus here. In a recent survey conducted by Visit Tucson, it was determined that as much as 20% of the rooms being rented in Tucson at a given time fall in the category of this unregulated market.

These new companies aren't small mom and pops. While it's true that many people use their spare rooms to help defray their mortgage expenses, the larger scale examples of peer to peer firms are major players in the market. For example, Uber (the "taxi" example) received funding in June that gave it a valuation of just over \$18B. The State of Arizona just put in place some regulations on the heels of other areas banning the ride sharing companies after one of its drivers hit and killed a 6 year old girl in San Francisco last New Year's Eve. In the home rental area, Airbnb is the big dog. The Wall Street Journal recently reported that the company now has a potential valuation of nearly \$10B.



Why is this even an issue? Simple. Because they don't play by the same set of rules that our local business community is forced to play by. They don't pay taxes, they don't fall under permitting rules related to safety/health/parking/or other codes that other businesses must adhere to, and there are important insurance considerations that place the property owner at risk. When 20% of the local market is off the radar screen, it's lost revenue to both the City, and to the regulated Bed/Breakfast and larger hospitality industry.

I mentioned that this is a legitimate business model that is filling a market demand. The goal is not to try to regulate it so it's no longer viable. Unused value refers to the time that products lay idle. Idle time is wasted value. Think of your car. It likely sits unused about 90% of

the time. Why not rent it out? And while you're away from home, your house could be creating value instead of sitting there unused. In areas with dense populations – cities – those sorts of efficiencies are gaining traction.

And they're hurting the business community that follows the more traditional models. I've asked the Chair of our Small Business commission subcommittee that studied this issue, along with Brent DeRaad, CEO of Visit Tucson, to come and share their thoughts with us during the September 9th study session. We will not go away from that meeting with a 'solution.' What I do hope to achieve is opening the dialogue on the subject. Some areas of concern will include:

Loss of tax base due to the City – the hospitality industry funds our Bed Tax.

Existing businesses paying for permits and other Certificate of Occupancy requirements that are not being paid by the Peer-2-Peer companies. Let's find a middle ground – roll back some of what's being charged and pick up new dollars from the P2P group.

Homeowners need to be educated about their potential liability in case of injuries on their property.

Through our inaction, we are creating the environment for even more transient occupancy than what we're already seeing in mid-town.

To be fair, we need to get Airbnb and other industry representatives into the conversation. They've demonstrated a willingness to do so in other markets. They've got people in over 36,000 cities worldwide using their service – they deserve a seat at the table.

What changes can we make in our own Certificate of Occupancy and permitting process to ease the current burden on B&Bs and others in the hospitality industry?

This is a regional issue – how do we get the County, Oro Valley, Marana and others (PAG?) to work with us in setting up some guidelines?

I'm sure there's plenty more that'll come up when we start the discussion. We'll be talking about equal tax collection between the traditional and sharing models, licensing, health/safety codes and insurance. It's all on the table. If the conversation is a two-way one in which we're willing to give ground on what we're currently requiring, and the sharing businesses aren't saddled with making all of the accommodations, I think the region can come out a winner.

Portland, Oregon and Austin, Texas have each adopted local Ordinances on this issue. We often hear ourselves used in comparison to those cities as being our peers. Peer-to-Peer economies being addressed similarly by peer cities. It sounds like something we can, and should achieve. In fact, the U.S. Conference of Mayors agrees. In 2012 they passed a resolution that ended with this statement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the U.S. Conference of Mayors urges support for economic development opportunities through the visitors industry by encouraging regulations of the short-term rental industry that (1) establish a reliable way for the municipality to identify and contact the short-term rental owner; (2) make the tax collection and remittance obligations clear to the short-term rental owner; and (3) treat short-term rental tenants the same as long-term rental tenants.

Regulations that accomplish all three can achieve a high level of compliance, and are highly effective.

Hospitality Industry

Along that same theme come the results of a Visit Tucson study on the impact tourism has on our region. PKF Hospitality Research is predicting that Tucson will be *the national leader* in tourism demand growth in 2015. They project a growth rate of just over 7%. Also listed in the top 5 for demand growth were Austin, Pittsburgh, San Jose and West Palm Beach.

The study indicated that Tucson's predicted growth is largely due to an improving economy as well as simple pent-up tourism demand for our region. It also noted that there isn't any new hotel/resort inventory ready to come online. While that could change in the next few weeks (I've seen a potential hotel project that's making its way to M&C,) the VT survey numbers are pointing in the right direction.

Tourism drives the demand for room nights. Preserving our local businesses and avoiding pulling the rug out from under them is key. The importance of the discussion about how to regulate short-term rentals directly impacts our ability to fund every Charter driven obligation we have.

We sometimes hear ourselves being the poor step-child to Phoenix in terms of economic growth. The PKF Hospitality Research study has Tucson listed at the top of the heap for '15 demand growth. The bottom 5 in the study were Oahu, Phoenix, Oakland, San Francisco and Philadelphia. We each have our niche – our task is to make us as competitive as possible in the areas in which we excel. Addressing the short term rental room issue will help to achieve that goal.

NCAA – Pay for Play Ruling



Last week, U.S. District Judge Claudia Wilken issued an injunction that stops the NCAA from enforcing any rules that would prohibit its member schools from offering football and/or D1 basketball recruits “a limited share of the revenues generated from the use of their names, images and likenesses in addition to a full grant-in-aid”. The case comes from former UCLA basketball player Ed O'Bannon filing a suit against the NCAA, basically saying that the school made money off him and he had no opportunity to share in the wealth.

(Photo credit: Jeff Hanisch-USA TODAY Sports)

The case will most certainly be appealed. It has already been in the courts for 5 years. More to come. I'll just share some of the clear points that were issued in the Wilken ruling.

As already noted, schools can offer football and men's basketball recruits some share of their revenues in addition to the other tuition and aid that's already a part of their attending the school.

Nothing in the ruling prevents the NCAA from putting a cap on the amount of money that can be paid to college athletes as long as the cap is not below the cost of attend-

ance.

Schools can put money into a trust fund for a given student-athlete (not more than \$5K per year of attendance) payable to the athlete upon expiration of their athletic eligibility or graduation.

Student-athletes can be prohibited by a school/conference from signing commercial product endorsement deals, or selling their name, image and likeness in the private market.

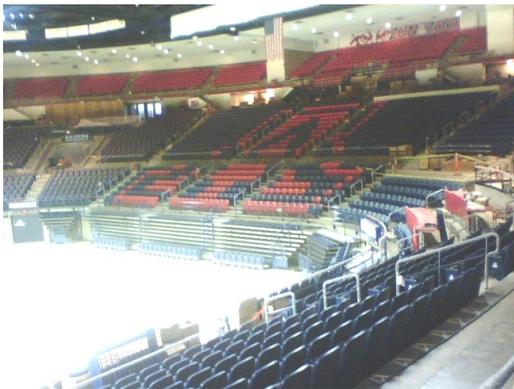
The 5 major conferences (ACC, Big 10, Pac12, Big 12 and SEC) can create their own legislation to benefit student-athletes, to include things such as the cost-of-attendance stipend that's above the current scholarship amount.

And because of the way television networks enter into licensing agreements so that they can use the intellectual property of the schools in live telecasts (rights to names, images and likenesses of the participating student-athlete) the networks might be next in line for litigation.

Those are really the cliff-notes from the Court's decision. There are lots of moving parts still to be decided, and to be litigated on appeal. As it stands right now, the Court's conditions don't count until the schools are recruiting their 2016 classes.

This is just a snapshot in time. It's likely that the terms will change with further litigation.

McKale Renovations



The confusing ruling isn't putting a damper on our upgrading the McKale Center. What you see in this photo is the new student seating area. The remaining seats in the lower bowl will be blue – the spelled out “A” is in the north end zone where we have Zona Zoo seated. You can also see the upper ring is now going to be all red seats. The new look you'll see when you visit the arena in the coming months is going to impress you.

...and so will our teams. We begin with Volleyball next month on Friday, September 5th / 7pm vs. Loyola, Chicago. Come on out, see the new facility and support the 'Cats as they open the 2014 season.

Project Mariposa Update

As soon as the sexy optics of hundreds of children laying on the floor behind chain link fences, or protestors standing in front of busses disappeared, so did the “story” for much of the media. But this is a tree that's falling in the forest and is still making noise, regardless of whether or not the media is there to hear it.



Some media's still engaged. In the past couple of weeks I've done interviews with a German newspaper and a BBC radio journalist. Here are a few of the more compelling aspects to this evolving story that the Europeans will hear/read, but are largely flying under the local radar:

The lady who gave birth to her kid here in Tucson, one day after having been processed through ICE, is now en route to her next of kin on the East Coast.

We had another woman show up who will soon give birth – she’s pregnant with twins, and is now en route to her destination.

A man who I confronted at Greyhound was confirmed by local law enforcement as being a known “human smuggler.” He was traveling with 3 young girls when I had my encounter with him here. They stayed under the watch of law enforcement throughout their travel.

Last weekend there were 4 families overnighing at the CCS “house” – and we’ve put in place the means by which food and other provisions will be on site 24/7 so there aren’t any last minute frantic calls for assistance from the volunteers.

The CCS intake center is now fully operational, offsite from the Greyhound station. Since the change, Greyhound management has adopted a less than hospitable demeanor to volunteers assisting the families at the depot. Despite that, Project Mariposa volunteers will continue to ensure the women and their kids we’re dealing with don’t run across any snags in terms of getting onto their busses and starting the next leg of their arduous journeys.

The steering committee for Project Mariposa is reflective of the community coordination that continues to be the hallmark of this humanitarian effort.

There are a lot of very important news stories that get aired every day. None has a more local impact, but with an international component than the volunteers and non-profit’s work in support of the migrant families as they transition through Tucson. We at the Ward 6 office are continuing to be the mid-town donation site – 3202 E. 1st. Non-perishable foods, shoelaces, snugglies, and children’s backpacks continue to be items in need.

Thanks to those of you who are staying engaged with us, even though the story’s off the front pages.

El Tour Adventure Run/Walk to Benefit Ben’s Bells



You’ve seen these on peoples’ cars all over town. They’re the Ben’s Bells reminder to the community. Data from studies that show how people “change” when behind the wheel affirms that from time to time, we all need the nudge.

On Saturday, September 20th, starting at 7am, there’ll be a fund raising event to support the work Jeanette Mare and her group are doing over at Bens. St. Gregory College Prep school will play host to a 5K/10K run-walk. The proceeds from the event will go to the Ben’s Bells program. They have plenty of event goodies planned – sun visors, Ben’s medallions, the Be Kind stickers, and more. If you’d like to register you can find the race at bensbells.org/el-tour-adventure-run.

Jeanette was a part of the panel I put together for the presentation on Mental Health we did at The Loft earlier this year. She’s also working with Clarke Romans at NAMI in offering the mental health first aid training to businesses who operate in the downtown core. We at the Ward 6 office are happy to support their work, and grateful for the relationship we have with the organization.

St. Gregory's is located at 3231 N Craycroft. They've got plenty of parking so don't let that scare you away from the event.



Tucson

Last Thursday evening I had the opportunity to speak to the AzGS group over at the Martha Cooper library. We had a lively discussion on what I believe should be a part of the current 2014 political campaign, specifically the issue of local control vs. State pre-emption.

The State of Arizona passed a law that simply says local jurisdictions cannot adopt gun safety laws that are more restrictive than what is allowed under State Statute. That law, ARS 13.3108, reads in its pertinent part like this:

Except as provided in subsection G of this section, a political subdivision of this state shall not enact any ordinance, rule or tax relating to the transportation, possession, carrying, sale, transfer, purchase, acquisition, gift, devise, storage, licensing, registration, discharge or use of firearms or ammunition or any firearm or ammunition components or related accessories in this state.

That means we are prohibited from suggesting controls on public spaces, parks, public transportation or other similar areas. AzGS is putting out a candidate report card asking candidates where they stand on background checks, child access protection laws, guns in public spaces, limits on access to military style weapons, and the local pre-emption issue. They're sending this out to candidates running for Federal and State level offices.

If you'd like to see the results – or if you'd like to get involved with this group – you can contact them through Maddy Urken @ maddyurken@hotmail.com, or go to azfgs.com for their web site.

Los Descendientes del Presidio de Tucson (Pioneers of the Old Pueblo)

First, I have to agree with Master of Ceremonies Supervisor Richard Elias – we're the "Old Pueblo," regardless of whether or not some of the newcomers to town want to embrace the label.

Last Saturday, my bride and I were treated to the 239th Los Descendientes celebration. It always amazes me how many life-changing people we have in this City, so many of whom are doing what they do in relative obscurity. That's true of this year's honoree, Dr. Adalberto "Beto" Guerrero.

Quick – think of one of your former High School teachers. Why did he/she pop into your mind? I'm guessing that for most of us we remember educators who were significant in forming us as who we are today. In "Beto" Guerrero's case, that'd be lots of Tucsonans.

Dr. Guerrero was one of the founders of Pima Community College and was a key figure in opening the doors to students for whom English was not their first language. He taught

Spanish at Pueblo High School. But what was novel about what he did there was that he was the first to widely use Spanish literature as the center of his pedagogy, and he aimed his teaching at Spanish speakers. Teaching Spanish to Spanish speakers as a way of enhancing their ability to more effectively mainstream into the wider curriculum. The method worked, caught on and resulted in multiple awards and recognitions for “Beto.” But based on his response to Saturday’s program, I’m sure the most gratifying of all is the number of former students who were in attendance and who stood in respect of the impact he had on them.

Educators in this community – you’re touching lives. The way you do that will be remembered. You could have no better role model in the profession than Dr. Guerrero. Google him – you’ll agree.



If you’ve got any fruit trees in your yard that seem to produce more than you can use, there’s a group in town that has the resources to come and glean what’s there and make sure it doesn’t go to waste.

“Iskashitaa” comes from a Somali dialectic – roughly translated it means *working together cooperatively*. They’ve been around Tucson for over a decade, and in that time have donated to over 32 local organizations. They also

help to feed the needy among the group of inter-generational refugees who partner with them.

It’s pretty simple to get connected. Contact Heather Gerrish (440.0100) and she can walk you through the process. What they’ll do is schedule a day/time with you and have one of their teams show up, glean, and take what they pick to one of the many groups they’re dealing with. The program goes much deeper than that, though.

The group is working to assimilate and to learn from the many refugee groups we have here. They have a large presence in midtown. They’ve worked with asylees since 2003 including many from Afghanistan, Cuba, Somalia, Iran, Nepal, and about a dozen other countries. It’s a give and take. They teach skills to help integrate the refugees into our wider community, and along the process they learn valuable cultural lessons from the people who are in the program.

Iskashitaa is no chump effort. They were the winner of the White House “Portrait of Compassion” video award, were highlighted in the International Girl Scouts environmental curriculum, and in 2011 were awarded the Hon Kachina award for their efforts in increasing volunteerism in Arizona. And the food pantries, soup kitchens and non-profits they support with the food they glean are all grateful.

If you’d like to learn more you can check them out at www.harvesttucson.org, or give Heather a call at the number shown above.

Southern Arizona Train Museum Celebration

This is a picture of Southern Pacific locomotive #1673 (by the way – that’s a pound sign, not a “hash tag.”) Between 1900 and 1955 it logged over a million miles, largely in freight service all over this part of the country. There were only 105 built, and we have this one in a fully restored condition sitting down at the Southern Arizona Train Museum – right at the front end of downtown. One of its last calls to action was being used in the filming of the movie Oklahoma (update next week on the film incentive effort.) In ’55 it arrived in Tucson, was greeted by a crowd of 10,000 residents along with the then Mayor Fred Emery and was donated to the City of Tucson immediately following the event.



Ok, so what? The what is that this Saturday the SATM group is hosting a party, a part of which will be the chance for you and the family to climb all over #1673. And our current Mayor will be there to kick off the event and share some cake and other goodies with the crowd. The event will run from 10am until 4pm.

Board the Streetcar at the Helen/Warren stop and it’ll take you to the Depot in less than 20 minutes. You want the first stop after the 4th Avenue underpass.



Before heading downtown, check in with the newly remodeled McDonald’s just a stone’s throw away from the streetcar stop. With the support of our Development Services staff, they went through the entire demolishing to re-occupancy process in 101 days and are now up and running just in time for school to reopen. At their pre-opening party on Sunday there was a who’s-who of supporters from around the community. Ed Ackerley from Ackerley Advertising, Mike Varney from the Metro Chamber, Debbie Bush from KOLD, along with members of the Centurions, Caballeros, Angel Charities and plenty more. Michael Osborne is the owner/operator and we’re grateful for his selection of City of Tucson/Streetcar décor as the wall coverings lining the interior.

When you get to the train museum, they’ll have live music, a Union Pacific simulator, and several operating model trains – and the gift store. This is a totally family friendly event. I hope you can participate.

Normal operating hours for the museum are..

Tuesday to Thursday
11am - 3pm

Friday, Saturday
10am - 4pm

Sunday
11am - 3pm

The Saturday event is free – location is the Historic Tucson Train Depot @ 414 N. Toole.

Sincerely,



Steve Kozachik
Council Member, Ward 6
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Events Calendar

What's happening this week in the Downtown, 4th Avenue, and Main Gate areas . . .



Celebrate Tucson's 239th Birthday & Mission Garden's Progress

*Enjoy Cool Early Morning Traditional Breakfast & Music
Silent Auction ~ Sale of Heritage Plants, Trees & Seeds
Manzo Elementary School Partnership Presentation
Shuttle to Tours of nearby Mission Garden & Complex*

**Sunday, August 24, 2014
7:00 AM – 10:00 AM at Mercado San Agustín**

100 South Avenida del Convento
Corner of Congress & Avenida del Convento, west of the freeway,
At the Mercado streetcar stop across the street from El Rio Clinic

TUSD Neighborhood Meeting — Fort Lowell Elementary School

TUSD will hold a neighborhood meeting at Dodge Traditional Magnet Middle School's cafeteria located at 5831 E. Pima Street, Tucson, AZ 85712 on Monday, August 25th, 2014, from 6:00pm- 8:00pm for the purpose of providing information regarding the pending sale of Fort Lowell Elementary School to Pima 5151, LLC. Information will be provided to update the public on the timeline and process for the sale of the school property.

Representatives of TUSD and Pima 5151, LLC will be on hand to answer questions regarding the sale of the property. If you are unable to attend the neighborhood meeting, or for more information, please contact Bryant Nodine, Director of Planning and Student Assignment, at 520-225-4949 or bryant.nodine@tusd1.org.

Ongoing

Molly Sweeney 5317 E Speedway Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85712

July 24th - August 30th Every Sunday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Live Theater Workshop

Box office opens 6:30 PM; Curtain is 7:30 PM:

Sun, Box office opens 2:15 PM; Curtain is 3:00 PM

Molly Sweeney, blind since infancy is given a chance to see. This poetic play explores Molly's fantasies and expectations of how everything will change. This is a play about the limits of the human senses, at Live Theater Workshop.

<http://www.livetheatreworkshop.org/shows/main-now.html>

Arizona Theater Company, 330 S. Scott Avenue

Season begins September 13th

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

Rialto Theatre, 318 E. Congress St.

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

The Rogue Theatre at The Historic Y, 300 East University Blvd

<http://www.theroguetheatre.org/main.htm>

Fox Theatre, 17 W. Congress St.

www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org

Hotel Congress, 311 E. Congress St.

<http://hotelcongress.com/>

Loft Cinema, 3233 E. Speedway

www.loftcinema.com/

Tucson Museum of Art, 140 N. Main Ave.

www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org

Jewish History Museum, 564 S. Stone Ave.

The Jewish History Museum presents "Skullcaps and Schul Hats, focusing on two family

collections of 1940's head coverings. The museum urges you to visit and learn about the fading tradition of Schul Hats and the enduring tradition of "Keeping the Kippot", as well as Tucson Jewish history.

www.jewishhistorymuseum.org

Children's Museum Tucson, 200 S. 6th Ave.

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

www.childrensmuseumtucson.org

Arizona State Museum, 1013 E. University Blvd

November 9, 2013, through July 2015 Curtis Reframed: The Arizona Portfolios

www.statemuseum.arizona.edu

UA Mineral Museum, 1601 E University Blvd

Ongoing "100 Years of Arizona's Best: The Minerals that Made the State"

Southern Arizona Transportation Museum, 414 N Toole Ave.

Explore regional transportation history, and see a freight trains passing by, or ring the locomotive bell at the Southern Arizona Transportation Museum every Saturday, year round.

Tuesday – Thursday, Sunday: 1100am - 3:00pm; Friday & Saturdays: 10:00am - 4:00pm

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

Sacred Machine Museum & Curiosity Shop, 245 E Congress St

<http://sacredmachine.com/>

Meet Me at Maynards, 311 E. Congress (north entrance on Toole)

A social walk/run through the Downtown area

Every Monday, rain or shine, holidays too!

Hotel Congress Check-in begins at 5:15pm.

www.MeetMeatMaynards.com

Tucson Botanical Gardens, 2150 N. Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ 85712

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

Friday Night Live! at Main Gate Square, 814 E University Blvd

Saturday nights, 7:00-9:00, stellar jazz performances.

Cinema La Placita 110 S. Church Avenue

Every Thursday evening at 7:30, May through August, hundreds of Tucsonans enjoy the cool summer evenings and a pleasant summertime event. \$3 per person includes popcorn!

August 21st

STRIPES (1981) This movie is rated R

Starring Bill Murray, Harold Ramis and John Candy. Directed by Ivan Reitman.

Two friends who are dissatisfied with their jobs decide to join the army for a bit of fun.

